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IN OPPOSITION.

Rival Government to Canton.

IRONSIDES' BLOODLESS VICTORY

Many Railway Bridges Destroyed Near Kongmoon.

With the Ironsides entrenched in Canton and along the three principal rivers of the Kwangtung province, the Kwangsi military faction is now concentrating on holding on to Swatow and setting up an organisation there which they, and the Nanking Government, will "recognise" as the Kwangtung administration.

Several "doubtful" Generals have now definitely sided with the victorious Ironsides. One General who receded into the background of Kwangsi some time ago, and who has always been jealous of the Kwangsi faction, is reported to be stirring up trouble in Kwangsi province to pave the way for an invasion of that province by the Ironsides.

Arms from Japan?

Gunboats from Canton are now proceeding to the East, West and North Rivers, whereas they preferred the safety of Canton harbour when there was fighting to be done.

A large shipment of arms and ammunition has been seized by the Ironsides on board a junk in Canton, believed to be bound for the Kwangsi faction. The junk woman is alleged to have confessed that the contraband was removed from a Japanese steamer. On this statement, Mr. Chao Hsin Chu (the new Commissioner of Foreign Affairs) is reported to have taken the matter up with the Japanese Consul-General.

INVASION SCHEME.

Kwangsi Troops Cut off Line of Pursuit.

Pakkai, Kongmoon, Yesterday.

Kongmoon and its port, Pakkai, have been peacefully taken over by the present Canton Government.

Although it was all along expected that the renowned Ironsides were coming here themselves, it transpired that they held the Kwangsi garrison of the Kongmoon area in such contempt that they delegated the job to other troops.

In the scheme of evacuation, the Kwangsi troops (i.e., the 13th division of General Li Chai-sum's army, systematically tore up communications, damaged the railway bridges, and otherwise cut off pursuit.

At least $100,000 is required to repair the Sunning Railway before normal conditions can be restored.

Bloodless Victory.

It was a bloodless victory, not a shot having to be fired when the pro-Canton units arrived.

Four tow-boats (commandeered, of course) arrived with the vanguard, in the tow of steam-launches. There were about 1,000 of them, making up one brigade of the 5th Army which is commanded by General Li Fook-lum of Honam and is known as the "Papersides."

They were followed by another brigade which went overland from the interior district of Hokshan. This is also a 5th Army unit and a third brigade, making a full division, is expected shortly.

Skeleton Garrison Gone.

Yesterday (Tuesday), a brigade from the new 2nd division under Lt.-General Hsieh Yo (who turned over to the Ironsides during the crisis in Canton), also arrived in four tow-boats.

The pro-Canton river-gunboat "Kong Tai" has also come here.

A despatch runner from Plover Island (Pig's Head Mountain in Chinese), arrived with news that the Cantonese troops were in sight, and the skeleton garrisons at Pakkai and Kongmoon retreated up-country to Kungyick. All outposts were withdrawn and control was handed over, temporarily, to the merchants' volunteers, the people's militia, the village guards, and the railway guards.

H.M.S. "Robin's" Presence.

The railway bridge at Shachung was burned and the telephone lines cut. Trains were suspended.

Pakkai was in a panic owing to the possibility of pirates getting in before the Cantonese but the presence of H.M.S. "Robin" had a desirable effect.

All officials of the local revenue bureau fled in good time and their is impossible and it is definite that large sums of money were removed by the defeated Kwangsi faction.

Bridges Destroyed.

Tow-boats were commandeered wholesale to carry out the evacuation of the Kwangsi 13th division which has held sway here for some considerable time.

New officials, appointed by the Ironsides, were at work in the various yamens shortly after their arrival.

Subsequently, the Sunning Railway staff reported that all bridges between Sanwui and Ngau-wan were damaged. Trains are not expected to run for ten days.

Hong Kong Passengers' Plight.

Passengers from Hong Kong, arriving here to proceed up-country, have either had to turn back or stay with friends in Kongmoon.

The "Papersides" have left only one company in charge here, the main strength moving into the city with a posse of local police sent as a vanguard.

The Sanwui magistrate, who is also a nominee of the Kwangsi faction, has fled.—Our own correspondent.

In spite of the disturbed conditions in and around Kongmoon, the steamboats brought down a fair amount of produce last night and reported that all was quiet.

EIGHT DEATHS.

Violent Explosion in Cracker Factory.

Eight men were killed in the disastrous fire which broke out in Kongmoon city during the tension that existed prior to the arrival of the Ironsides.

Through a cause which has not been ascertained, there was an explosion in the powder works of a firecracker factory.

The explosion caused houses within a radius of 500 yards to vibrate as in a violent earthquake.

Another Panic.

Two fire alarm signals were sent off from Kau Shan (a hill in the city) which the people thought to be the opening of an attack by the Ironsides.

Thanks to the firemen's strenuous efforts only two adjacent houses were gutted but others were damaged. As previously reported, the damage, in terms of money, is extensive.

HAPPY AMERICA.

High Wages and Good Conditions.

GENERAL HARMONY.

Beneficial Co-operation In The Field Of Industry.

Washington, Yesterday.

The maintenance of high wages, good conditions, control of immigration, and modification of the anti-trust laws are the main planks in the United States labour policy laid down by the Secretary, Mr. Davis, in his annual report, declaring that never in its history has the country witnessed such a degree of general harmony between workers and employers. The attitude of good-will and partnership is growing. Nevertheless further co-operation in the field of industry will benefit the general public, notably in coal mining in which a series of corporations with combined selling agencies will aid solving problems.

Stocks Recede.

In New York there has been a sharp recession on the Stock Market in many important issues ranging from $1 to $4 per share. This is attributed to President Coolidge's reiteration of his intention not to stand for the next Presidential election and perhaps also to an anticipation that the shipment of $1,000,000 (gold) to Britain might be followed by others and lead to higher interest rates.—Reuter's American Service.

HEALTH COMMITTEE.

NEED OF INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION.

Geneva, Yesterday.

Leprosy, malaria, smallpox, cancer, and sleeping sickness were among subjects which the report of the Health Committee, adopted to-day, recommends measures for international co-operation and suggests a further conference of experts to continue the campaign against sleeping sickness.—Reuter.

BIAS BAY.

Permanent Patrol Not Feasible.

NO SOLUTION OF PROBLEM.

Matter Carefully Considered By Naval Command Here.

Rugby, Yesterday.

In the House of Commons Mr. W. C. C. Bridgeman, First Lord of the Admiralty, stated that the question of stationing a British ship in Bias Bay to check piracy on the China coast had been considered. Such action had been taken on occasions when thought desirable. The establishment of a permanent patrol in Bias Bay, however, was not thought to be a feasible solution of this problem.

Asked regarding new gunboats constructed for use on the China station, Mr. Bridgeman said that one of them was already in commission. Another would be commissioned during the present month, and the remaining two were expected to be put into service during the coming year. They were solely for service in China and could not be employed on the high seas where piracy took place.—British Wireless Service.

The Best Method.

London, Yesterday.

Responding to a suggestion to station a ship at Bias Bay to check piracy Mr. Bridgeman, in the House of Commons, said that that course had been taken on occasions, but the permanent establishment of British control of Bias Bay was not feasible. The matter had been carefully considered by the Chief Command on the spot, and the Government was taking what it thought was the best method of dealing with the trouble.

In view of the increasing piracy Mr. H. W. Looker requested the Government to provide additional gunboats on the China Station in the next Naval Estimates.

Mr. Bridgeman pointed out that a new gunboat had already been commissioned. Another will be commissioned during the present month, and the remaining two are expected to be put into service early in the New Year. These vessels could not be employed on the high seas where piracy had recently increased.

He added that some vessels were due for replacement, and were being retained as long as possible, and the Admiralty was considering the question of further replacement.—Reuter.

CHINA'S TREATIES.

PRECEDENT FOR GREAT BRITAIN?

A PERTINENT QUESTION.

London, Yesterday.

Mr. W. Foot Mitchell, M.P. (Conservative, Saffron Walden), asked in the House of Commons whether the British Government was aware of the nature of the proposals contained in the present negotiations between China and the Foreign Powers on the subject of existing Treaties, in view of the fact that these proposals may be regarded as setting a precedent when the British Treaties with China come up for re-modelling.

Mr. G. Locker-Lampson (Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs) said that the Peking Government had raised the question of the revision of the French, Belgian, Japanese and Spanish Treaties. Negotiations had in some cases begun, but he believed that there had been no substantial progress. Britain had general knowledge of the lines along which these negotiations were proceeding, and consideration of Mr. Foot Mitchell's question would receive careful attention.—Reuter.

COTTON COMBINE.

DOZEN MANCHESTER FIRMS INVOLVED.

FAR REACHING EFFECTS.

London, Yesterday.

A great cotton amalgamation, which may have far-reaching effects on the entire outlook in the Manchester trade will, it is reported, be made early in the New Year when a dozen Manchester export firms, the largest of which is concerned with the South American trade, will form a public company with a capital of £2,000,000 to finance a new enterprise with a view to securing greater efficiency in marketing and salesmanship.—Reuter.

SAME AS BEFORE.

Claims of Victory in the China War.

'WHITE RUSSIAN' MERCENARIES

Recruiting Down: Desertions & No Pay in North.

Two widely conflicting reports as is usually the case—in connection with the Nationalists' campaign against Peking have been received. Peking suggests that it has nothing to fear but foreign observers speak of danger. The two reports follow:—

Peking, Yesterday.

The Northerners claim that General Chang Tsung-chang is still holding Hsuchowfu (a strategic city in the north of Kiangsu province).

They also claim that he has repulsed the Nationalists' attacks, with the aid of reinforcements.

Marshal Sun Chuan-fang's main army (also of Northerners) is concentrated at Lincheng, in the south of Shantung province, north of (i.e., behind) Hsuchowfu.

Importance of Money.

The Premier of the Northern Government, Mr. Pan Fu, has not yet left for Shantung. It is reported that he is attempting to raise, before leaving, more money to take with him to General Chang Tsung-chang.—Reuter.

[General Chang Tsung-chang and Marshal Sun Chuan-fang are two of the leaders of the Fengtien faction. The former has been fighting the "Christian General" and the latter has been pressed back by the Nationalists of Nanking.

Hsuchowfu and Lincheng are towns on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, along which the Nationalist allies are trying to push northwards on to Peking.]

THE OTHER STORY.

Critical Conditions in the Army.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Critical conditions exist in the army of Northerners (pro-Fengtien) under General Chang Tsung-chang, according to reports received here.

Allegations have been made that the men have not been paid for months. Consequently, desertions (over to the Nationalists' side?) are common.

Such a state of affairs has had an adverse effect on the recruiting of Russians for the Northern army, recent efforts proving unproductive.—British Naval Wireless.

The "White Russians."

[General Chang Tsung-chang has about 4,000 "White Russians" organised into a corps of shock troops. They are nominally Chinese subjects, refugee soldiers from the various anti-Soviet armies. General Morkuloff, adviser to General Chang Tsung-chang, recruited most of the men in Manchuria and General Netchaeff was in charge of the brigade of shock troops. About 1,500 of these Russians used to man the armoured trains. Some of which fell into the hands of the Nationalists. There is also a Cossack company of 100 strong and an officers' training corps of 500 youths which also acts as bodyguard to Chang Tsung-chang.]

U. S. Rear-Admiral.

Hankow, Yesterday.

Rear-Admiral Yates Stirling has taken over command of the United States Yangtsze Patrol in place of Rear-Admiral Hough, as from Monday.—British Naval Wireless.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 2/0 7/16.

FRESH—FAIR.

Typhoon Reported To Be Filling Up.

The weather report issued by the Royal Observatory this forenoon stated:—

The anticyclone has weakened.

The typhoon appears to be filling up between 200 and 300 miles of Cochin-China.

Strong to fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

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DANGER TO HANKOW?

Chinese Leave City For Concessions.

GENERALS AT LOGGERHEADS.

Squabble For Right To Appoint Officials.

Hankow, Yesterday.

Differences between the Nanking leaders (who took over control here on the Hankow Government being crushed) have not been settled.

The quarrel, as reported before, is due to each General wishing to appoint his own men to important portfolios. General Cheng Chien and General Hu Tsung-tu, both of the Nanking Nationalist Army, are believed to be still quarrelling about the matter.

The unpromising outlook is thought to have influenced a number of Chinese civilians into moving from the city into the foreign concessions for safety.—British Naval Wireless.

Hostilities Portended?

Shanghai, Yesterday.

General Cheng Chien has withdrawn men of his command (the 6th Army) from Yochow, in Hunan province (where they had been following up the Hankow remnants), northwards to Wuchang, where they are being concentrated.—British Naval Wireless.

[Note: Wuchang is very close to Hankow and the concentration of troops there may be the prelude to hostilities between Cheng Chien and his rivals.]

THE CONFERENCE.

Disagreement in Kwangtung Continues.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

A hitch occurred at the 3rd meeting of the Kuomintang yesterday.

Ten members, who belong to the Nanking faction, did not attend.

Their absence was due to differences with other members on the subject of (a) the abolition or retention of the Central Executive Committee and (b) military action agianst the Ironsides now in power in Canton.—British Naval Wireless.

Swatow in the Limelight?

Shanghai, Yesterday.

As an outcome of the conference of military authorities yesterday, General Li Chai-sum is expected to leave for Swatow shortly. General Pei Chung-hsi has expressed his willingness to support him, but Generals Chu Pei-teh and Li Tsung-jen are lukewarm.—Reuter.

BALTIC DISPUTE.

CASE BEFORE COUNCIL OF LEAGUE.

"STATE OF WAR."

Geneva, Yesterday.

The League Council hall was packed at the opening of the consideration of the Polo-Lithuanian dispute.

M. Valdemaras outlined the case against Poland. M. Zaleski, Poland, followed and declared that the root of the evil was the existence in Lithuania of the so-called state of war against Poland. He invoked Article VIII of the Covenant and appealed to the Council to remove the present state of affairs.—Reuter.

Later.

The Dutch delegate to the Council has been appointed rapporteur on the Polo-Lithuanian dispute.—Reuter.

SOVIET SPLIT.

DEMAND FOR UNCONDITIONAL SUBMISSION.

TROTSKY'S OPPOSITION.

Moscow, Yesterday.

The Congress of the Communist Party, at which M. Stalin demanded the opposition's complete and conditional submission, unanimously adopted a resolution charging the Central Committee to promote the ties between the workers of the Soviet and other countries, also the economic ties between the Soviet and Capitalistic countries and continue to strength Russia's "defensive capacity."

Congress expressed the opinion that the Trotskyist Opposition "had become a factor in the anti-Soviet struggle."—Reuter.

WOUNDED POLICE.

Condition After Pitched Battle.

"STILL CRITICAL."

Funeral Of Chinese Constable This Afternoon.

Interviewed this morning in connection with the shooting of the police picket by Chinese gunmen, Mr. T. H. King, Director of Criminal Intelligence, stated that he had nothing fresh to add to his statement of yesterday, excepting that all the Police officers who were wounded in the affair were reported this morning to be still alive, and have made slight improvement, although their condition is still considered serious.

From another source it was learned that Sergeant Thomas McMahon was successfully operated upon yesterday, when about ten punctures in his intestines were patched up. He recovered consciousness at about 5 p.m. but is in a very weak condition. He spent as comfortable a night as was possible in the circumstances and showed slight improvement this morning. Although his condition is critical there is hope of his being able to pull through, thanks to his excellent physical condition.

The funeral of Wan Wong-chi (Chinese constable No. C569) the unarmed Yaumati ferry wharf searcher who was shot through the heart and instantly killed by the gunman who led the police a long chase before he was brought down in the heart of the town, will take place this afternoon, leaving the mortuary at 2.30 p.m.

All available members of the Police Force—European, Indians, and Chinese—will take part in the funeral, at which the Police Reserves will also be represented.

The deceased, who was 29 years of age at the time of his death, was a native of Tokau village, Tungkun district, Kwangtung province, and leaves a widow and a small son and daughter.

He joined the Hong Kong Police Force at the age of 23 years on January 15, 1921, and had reached the rank of first class police constable at the time of his death.

During his almost seven years' service with the Police Force, the deceased constable had had a good record, and had passed two examinations in First Aid.

OFFICIAL DENIAL.

ECHO OF ANTI-JAPANESE BOYCOTT.

NO TROOPS FOR SHANTUNG.

Peking, Yesterday.

The Japanese Legation in Peking declares that it has no knowledge of any plans for the despatch of Japanese forces to Shantung (for the protection of Japanese nationals resident in Shantung province).—Reuter.

[Several thousands of Japanese troops were in Shantung this last summer to protect Japanese interests. Their presence led to a storm of protests by the Nationalists, culminating in an anti-Japanese boycott in Canton and other ports.

Incidentally, the Ironsides who are now in power in Canton, and who are considered "radicals," have ordered the anti-Japanese Boycott Society to be wound up.

Pickets of this Society have been very quiet this week, allowing all Japanese merchandise, with the exception of some types of cloth, to be imported without hindrance.]

NO LOCK OUT.

GERMAN IRON AND STEEL TRADES.

ARBITRATOR INTERVENES.

Berlin, Yesterday.

The iron and steel industrialists' threatened lock-out on January 1 will not materialise in consequence of the intervention of the official arbitrator appointed by the Minister for Labour, whose decision is final.—Reuter.

KRUPP'S.

PROFIT OF THIRTEEN MILLION MARKS.

Essen, Yesterday.

Krupp's net profit for the business year 1926-7 is 13,000,000 marks as compared with a loss of 2,000,000 marks last year.—Reuter.

PIRATES' TRICK?

Capt. Lalor Not Yet Released.

GO-BETWEEN CAPTURED?

Missionary Missing With Ransom Money.

Although full particulars are lacking of later developments in the negotiations for the release of Capt. Lalor from pirate hands at Ichang, it would appear that anxiety is now being felt regarding the whereabouts of the missionary, Mr. Tocher, who has been undertaking the negotiations for the captured skipper's release.

In accordance with the arrangement by which $2,000 was deposited a few days ago and the captive was to be released on payment of a further $20,000 yesterday morning, Mr. Tocher went at daybreak yesterday to the locality near Paiyang which was agreed upon as a point of embarkation to the pirates' stronghold.

He was observed to be met by two unarmed men and to proceed with them to the rendezvous down the river.

It was a condition of the agreement come to that they should not be followed but as the day passed and no further news was heard anxiety was felt as to whether there had been trickery. There is a possibility that the missionary go-between has also been captured and, according to the latest wireless message, a thorough comb-out of the neighbourhood is being undertaken.

The release of the two men is not yet reported.

PRESS CONFERENCE.

LEAGUE COUNCIL APPROVES OF REPORT.

IMPORTANT RECOMMENDATION.

Geneva, Yesterday.

The Council of the League has approved the report of the recent Press Conference.

Several delegates emphasised the importance of the recommendation of the Conference in favour of improvement of telephonic and wireless communications throughout the world, particularly between Geneva and London, and the question was referred to the League Communications Committee for necessary action.

M. Urrutia (Colombia) supporting the recommendation, pointed out that London was the chief centre for the distribution of news from America and the Far East.

Mr. Adatchi (Japan) warmly associated himself with the report and hoped that the efforts to improve the communications between Geneva and London would be successful.

Messrs. Cheng Lo and Dandurand followed in the same sense.

Sir Austen Chamberlain promised that when he returned to London he would see what could be done to carry out the recommendation.—Reuter.

LABOUR'S DEFEAT.

MOTION OF CENSURE FALLS FLAT.

PREMIER'S DEFENCE.

London, Yesterday.

In the House of Commons the accusation that the Premier by his silence had insulted the Opposition on November 16 was made by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald in moving his censure motion.

Mr. Baldwin, who followed, resented the suggestion that he had disregarded the decencies of Parliamentary life. He pointed out the demands on the Premier's time owing to the increasing volume of Parliamentary work.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister, in acknowledging the difficulties of the coal industry, deprecated the aggravation of them. He showed by means of statistics the increase in the export trade, though prices were unsatisfactory, while unemployment in the mines had decreased by 14,000 in two years. The Eight-Hour Bill had reduced working costs by an average of 2/8 per ton.

The House rejected Mr. MacDonald's motion by 347 votes to 142.—Reuter.

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J. R. GEORGE, Manager.
Hong Kong, 7th March, 1927.

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LOOK POONG SHAN, Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 19th February, 1927.

COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

MELTING STEEL.

EXPERIMENT WITH AN ELECTRICAL FURNACE.

Rugby, Yesterday.

A new high frequency electrical furnace for melting steel was demonstrated yesterday, at the Sheffield works of Edgar Allen and Company. The furnace is the first of its kind in the world to be used commercially for the manufacture of high quality tool steel. It marks a striking advance on the old established crucible process in which pots containing about sixty pounds of material are heated by coke or gas fires.

In the new furnace, about 450 lbs. of steel are heated in one hour. The heat is not put into the furnace from outside but is induced within it by means of an alternating current of electricity. The walls of the crucible merely serve the purpose of a container and the furnace itself is contained in a square wooden box which remains cool.

The new process eliminates the exacting tasks necessitated by the methods now in use and ensures better conditions for operatives both as regards cleanliness and physical comfort.

The purity of the steel produced is one of the technical advantages of the new process. Having no contact with the fuel, the steel is extraordinarily free from sulphur and phosphorous effects. It is estimated that whereas the cost of meling a ton of high speed steel under the old process ranges from £16 to £24, the cost will be from one half to two-thirds of that sum under the new method.—British Wireless Service.

TRADE CHANGES.

INDUSTRY MOVING NORTH TO SOUTH.

"We are in the midst of a new industrial revolution," says the "Co-operative News," "not less revolutionary or widespread than that which marked the beginning of modern capitalism and the factory system.

"Before our eyes the face of Britain is changing fast, and co-operators will indeed be foolish if they do not take note of what is taking place and prepare to meet the demands that the future will surely make upon our movement.

"To-day, as five generations ago, great industries are finding new homes, and population is moving after trade. Then the industries moved from the South to the North, and the manufacturing towns of Lancashire and Yorkshire grew as coal and cotton, iron and steel created employment for whole armies of busy workers. Now coal has lost its power to provide employment.

"The mills of Lancashire and Yorkshire are less busy than they were. Mines and workshops no longer call workers to the North, for war and mis-government have ruined the exporting trades. . . .

"The new industries are travelling South. All around London and throughout the neighbouring counties great factories are rising, the villages and towns are growing, the countryside is dotted by tall chimneys that witness to the coming change. The great roads that have been driven through the once quiet lands, the vast increase in motor traffic, the new systems of distributing electric power, the ill-built houses that encircle every market town, all tell their startling story. The industries are settling in the South. Population is moving with the trades. Even if the day of Northern supremacy is not yet done, the South is being revolutionised, and from now onward the South will be the centre of British industry, the province in which millions of manual workers will earn their bread.

"Even if co-operators do not read the signs of the times aright, private manufacturers and traders understand what is happening now. They perceive the significance of *the coming changes*. All through the Southern counties they are buying the best sites, erecting new factories, building fine shops. . . . They are looking ahead, planning in advance, making ready for the coming opportunity.

"Are our societies aware of what is taking place?" asks the "Co-operative News." "Are they preparing for the changes that must come? . . ."

ITS QUALITY THAT COUNTS

HONG KONG TRADE.

SOME OPTIMISTIC FACTS.

An optimistic view of the future trade position of Hong Kong is taken by a correspondent of the Trade and Engineering Supplement of "The Times," who quotes facts of the past which enable us to form some idea of the future. He says:—

The events of the last two years in Hong Kong have been exasperating and unusual. There have, however, been periods of great anxiety and trade depression in the past. It is not the British habit to retreat from difficulties. If it had been there would have been very little British trade in China during the last century. The following figures convey some idea of the growth of the revenue of Hong Kong during the last thirty years:—

Year.	H.K. Revenue.
1897	$ 2,687,000
1906	7,035,000
1918	18,665,000
1923	24,784,000
1926	21,132,000

If we compare Hong Kong's revenue of 1926 with that of 30 years ago we see that it has increased more than eightfold.... Pessimists, especially those who lost money on the Stock Exchange during the dark days of 1925, find it difficult to obtain any encouragement in the recent news from China. Again, history helps us to take a more cheerful view of the present situation. China has always been a land of rebellions. Social machinery in China is so complicated that it is practically impossible for anyone who has never lived in the country to realise that although the machinery often creaks and in times of stress and strain may even bend, it manages to go on working. To change the metaphor, social typhoons do not have the devastating effect that seems inevitable. In almost any circumstances the Chinese manage to trade with each other and the foreigner. Many people in Great Britain forget that the Taiping rebellion in China of about 70 years ago was on a much greater scale than the recent revolts originating in Canton. After the end of the Taiping rebellion there was a period of prosperity for the foreign trader in China. Whenever there is any sign of a social typhoon the cautious Chinese merchants simply retire from business until the storm is over. As soon as confidence and security for trade are restored there will be a trade boom in South China. The amazing thing is that, despite the great social (and political) typhoon that swept over South China in 1925 and 1926, the chairman of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, in reviewing the situation a few months ago, was able to be so optimistic. He said, "Even with the heavy clouds overhanging the political horizon, and the peculiar trials under which British commerce is labouring, we may derive some comfort from the apparently irrepressible growth of China's foreign trade, as evidenced in the steady increase in the Customs collections, which have actually doubled in eight years...."

The event which produced so much pessimism and general depression in Hong Kong in the latter half of 1925 was the fall in the values of local stocks and shares. There are those who believe that a "slump" was inevitable. The movements in the values of local stocks and shares, of a speculative type, during the 11 years previous to 1925, were indeed spectacular. It is not unfair to the Chinese to say that gambling is a characteristic of the race. It is probable that there always will be spectacular rises and falls in values in the stock market of Hong Kong. The colony is not altogether unique in that matter. The cautious Chinese investor, however, knows quite well which are the local shares for his money. He knows that in Hong Kong he has security for his property which he has not had for many years in the adjoining provinces of South China. If, during recent months, he has been too nervous to use his money for trading purposes, he will come back again to the market. It is not improbable that when he has fully recovered from the shock of 1925 the speculator in the local share market will be as unduly optimistic as he has been in the past. History repeats itself on the share market as elsewhere.

With the indisputable facts of the rapid growth and financial prosperity of Hong Kong in our possession; with the decidedly cheerful words of the colony's Governor in our minds; and with the knowledge that the geographical position of Hong Kong makes it a great distributing centre, it is possible to believe that trade will gradually improve until it passes all records of the past.

The Hong Kong Government has made it known that it has no intention of calling any halt in the development of Hong Kong. The history of commerce in South China shows that British traders have never lacked enterprise. The situation seems to depend on the psychology of the Chinese traders. There is every reason to believe that they will be influenced by the courageous policy of the Hong Kong Government. With the prospect of more settled conditions in Canton there is a possibility of a return to "the good old times" of seven or eight years ago.

Hong Kong must either progress or go back, but so far as the lessons of history teach us anything, and if we can trust that instinctive faith which urges us to go forward in our enterprises, the future of the colony will be as prosperous as any other part of the British Empire. There is real Anglo-Chinese friendship in Hong Kong. Geography, good government, and the amazing industry of the Chinese, are the secrets of its success.

KAILAN MINING.

The total output of the Administration's mines for the week ended November 19, amounted to 109,430 tons, and the sales during the period to 94,300 tons.

COMMERCIAL AERO.

FRENCH EXPANSION IN THE EAST.

Paris, Yesterday.

"Le Matin" states that Colonel Antoinat and four assistants will soon try a powerful aero, to connect Paris and Hanoi with a view to French commercial expansion with China, Japan, and the Pacific generally.—Reuter.

It is much easier for the average millionaire to hide his resources than it is for those with modest incomes, and, personally, I have no use whatever for the rich man who can well afford to pay but by cunning evasion simply throws more on to those who cannot.—Lord Denbigh.

There is, in my opinion, a tendency to take too gloomy a view of the rubber industry at the moment.—Mr. Eric Miller.

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HONG KONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting Machine, which includes 40 components for the better prediction of tides, from the result of the analysis of the tidal observations, taken at the Kaulung tidal observatory under the direction of Dr. Doberck during the years 1887, 1888, & 1889.

The times and heights are given for Kaulung; but they may be used for the Victoria Naval yard and Aberdeen, the differences being very small.

The times of high-and low-water must not be considered to coincide with the times of slack-water and change of current, the two phenomena being quite distinct.

Dec. 6 to 12, 1927.

Date		High Water Standard Times	Ht.	Low Water Standard Times	Ht.
Dec.					
Tues	6	m 7 22	5.8	m 1 10	2.6
		7 27a	7.2	1 10 a	2.7
Wed	7	m 8 27	5.6	m 2 17	1.9
		8 32a	7.7	1 45 a	3.0
Thurs	8	m 9 31	5.3	m 3 4	1.2
		8 38a	8.1	2 18 a	3.2
Fri.	9	m 10 31	5.1	m 3 40	1.3
		9 15a	8.3	2 50 a	3.4
Sat.	10	m 10 35	4.8	m 4 35	0.5
		9 53a	8.3	3 31 a	3.6
Sun.	11	0 39a	4.5	m 5 32	0.6
		10 31a	8.2	3 52 a	3.4
Mon.	12	1 28a	4.4	m 6 11	0.8
		11 10a	7.8	4 24 a	4.0

HONG KONG MARKET PRODUCE.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

Butcher Meat.

			Dec. 2, 1927. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Beef Sirloin	牛尺骨	lb.	28	24	12
„ Prime Cut		„	28	23	12
„ Corned	咸牛肉	„	—	23	12
„ Roast	烤肉	„	28	24	22
„ Breast	牛腩	„	24	20	18
„ Soup	湯肉	„	26	20	18
„ Steak	牛扒	„	28	24	22
„ Steak Sirloin ...	牛柳扒	„	40	30	35
„ Sausages	牛腸	„	40	26	20
Bullock's Brains	牛腦	per set	15	10	12
„ Tongue, fresh..	牛腦	each	65	50	60
„ Tongue, corned	咸牛脷	„	—	60	—
„ Head	牛頭	„	$1.20	—	$1.20
„ Heart	牛心	lb.	24	13	14
„ Hump, Salt ..	牛	„	34	20	18
„ Feet	牛	each	8	10	12
„ Kidneys	牛腰	„	15	10	12
„ Tail	牛尾	„	28	20	22
„ Liver	牛肝	lb.	24	18	14
„ Tripe	牛肚	„	7	6	7
Calves' Head & Feet..	牛仔壁腳	set	$1.20	$1.00	$1.00
Mutton Chop	羊排	lb.	48	26	—
„ Leg	羊	„	48	26	—
„ Shoulder	羊	„	46	24	—
„ Saddle		„	46	—	—
Pig's Chitlings	豬	„	40	—	27
„ Brains	豬	Per set	3	—	12
„ Feet	豬	lb.	17	15	—
„ Fry	豬	„	28	15	18
„ Head	豬	„	18	20	—
„ Heart	豬心	each	14	10	10
„ Kidneys	豬	„	13	10	3
„ Liver	豬	lb.	55	30	24
Pork Chop	豬排	„	32	25	23
„ Leg	豬	„	34		—
„ Loin	豬	„	40	60	70
„ Fat or Lard	豬	„	24	21	—
Sheep's Head & Feet..	羊	per set	85	60	70
„ Heart	羊心	each	12	8	7
„ Kidneys	羊	„	15	12	10
„ Liver	羊	„	46	26	25
Sucking Pigs, to order.	乳豬	lb.	26	25	22
Suet, Beef	鮮牛油	„	30	20	18
„ Mutton	鮮羊油	„	46	26	26
Veal	牛仔肉	„	36	20	19
„ Sausages	牛仔腸	„	36	20	20
„ „ No. 1..		„	30	—	—

Fish.

Barbel	鯪魚	lb.	35	19	24
Bream	鯛魚	„	26	20	16
Canton Fresh Water Fish.	塘水魚 / 塘水鮮	„	20	13	16
Carp	鯉魚	„	28	16	27
Catfish	鯰魚	„	30	12	9
Codfish	鱈魚	„	35	20	25
Crabs	蟹	„	40	23	26
Cuttle Fish	墨魚	„	25	16	2
Dab		„	36	23	16
Dace	黃尾腊	„	35	20	—
Dog Fish	鯊肚沙	„	9	10	8
Eels, Conger	海鰻	„	35	16	—
„ Fresh Water ...	淡水鰻鱔	„	20	10	18
„ Yellow	黃田鰻	„	20	26	30
Frogs	田雞	„	90	32	25
Garoupa	石班	„	78	40	30
Gudgeon	白鯧	„	32	22	18
Herrings	白鯖	„	35	18	23
Halibut	將軍甲	„	25	18	15
Labrus	青衣花	„	28	22	18
Loach	烏龍	„	68	22	24
Lobsters	龍蝦	„	62	32	21
Mackerel	鯖魚	„	*30*	*20*	*26*
Monk Fish	老魚	„	30	18	2
Mullet	鯔魚	„	28	18	2
Oysters	鮮蠔	„	45	16	22
Parrot Fish	鸚公魚	„	30	14	9
Perch	鱸花班	„	34	20	15
Pike	老虎班	„	25	16	9
Plaice	扁魚	„	50	26	20
Pomfret, Black	黑鯧	„	42	36	30
Pomfret, White	白鯧	„	55	36	45
Prawns	明蝦	„	72	10	14
Ray	魟狗	„	10	10	14
Rock Fish	石鯛公魚	„	35	18	18
Roach	鯇馬	„	28	22	16
Salmon	鮭魚	„	65	36	30
Shark	沙魚	„	10	8	10
Skate	鱝	„	18	10	10
Shrimps	蝦立	„	50	32	30
Snapper	鯛魚	„	58	26	35
Soles	撻沙魚	„	52	23	28
Tench	尤魚	„	25	22	18
Turbot	左口魚	„	30	18	12
Turtles, small, fr. water	龍魚	„	1.10	40	—

Poultry.

			Dec. 2, 1927. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Chicken	雞	lb.	50	30	31
Capons, Small	線雞	„	45	28	30
Capons, Large	肥線雞	„	50	28	30
Duck	鴨	„	40	22	21
Doves	班鳩	each	—	22	21
Eggs, Hen (cooking)..	雞蛋	per doz.	32	18	—
Eggs, Hen (fresh) ...	新鮮雞蛋	„	38	25	20
Fowls, Canton	本地雞	lb.	65	36	24
Fowls, Hainan	海南雞	„	40	36	24
Geese	鵝	„	45	24	24
Pigeons, Canton	白鴿	each	55	30	—
„ Hoihow	海口鴿	„	32	28	—
Turkeys, Cock	火雞公	lb.	70	—	—
Turkeys, Hen	火雞	„	60	51	45
Snipe	沙鷸	each	—	—	—
Pheasant	山雞	pair	$2.20	—	—
Quail	鵪鶉	each	25	—	2
Partridges	鷓鴣	„	90	—	—

Fruits.

Almonds	杏仁	lb.	60	35	—
Apples (California) ..	金山蘋果	„	22	24	—
Bananas (bride's)	蕉山香蕉	„	6	4	—
Carambola	楊桃	„	—	12	—
Cocoanuts	椰子	each	14	10	10
Lemons, China	檸檬	lb.	12	7	0
Lemons (America) ...	金山檸檬	each	10	8	0
Lichees, Dried	荔枝干	lb.	35	25	30
Oranges (Canton) ...	新會甜橙	„	10	—	—
Oranges	橙	„	12	—	15
Pears (Canton)	沙梨	„	14	—	—
Peanuts	花生	„	14	10	12
Persimmons, Large ...	紅柿	„	—	12	—
Plantain	大蕉	„	5	3	—
Pumelo, Siam	暹羅柚	each	15	12	6
Walnuts	合桃	lb.	20	—	16
Grapes	葡萄子	„	40	—	—

Vegetables, &c.

Artichokes	鴉芝竹	each	12	—	8
Beans, Sprout	芽菜角	lb.	5	—	7
„ Long	豆	„	16	8	—
Beet Root	紅頭	each	2	8	8
Bitter Squash	苦瓜	lb.	10	—	—
Brinjals, Green	清水瓜	„	8	5	9
„ Red	紅瓜	„	8	5	8
Cabbage, Chinese	芥菜	„	6	—	—
„ (Shanghai) .	鄉菜	„	15	12	—
Cane Shoots, bunch ...	蔗	„	5	—	—
Cauliflower (Large) ..	大鄉菜花	each	25	—	—
„ (Medium).	中鄉菜花	„	20	—	—
„ (Small) ..	細鄉菜花	„	15	6	6
Carrots	金笋	lb.	8	6	6
Celery, Chinese	塘菜	„	10	10	6
Chillies, Dried	辣椒干	„	35	25	5
„ Red	紅辣椒	„	20	10	16
„ Green	青花椒	„	20	8	12
Curry Stuff, English ..	架原材料	„	10	8	—
Cucumbers	青瓜	„	10	2	—
Garlic	蒜子	„	10	6	6
Ginger, Young	薑	„	10	7	—
„ Old	老薑	„	8	10	—
Horseradish, Shanghai.		„	40	8	4
Indian Corn	粟米	„	8	45	—
Lettuce	鵝生菜	„	8	1	—
Water Chestnuts	馬蹄	„	12	—	8
„ Mandarin.	桂林馬蹄	„	14	—	8
Mushrooms, Fresh	鮮草菇	„	—	—	3
Okroes		„	18	1	10
Onions, Bombay	洋葱頭	„	8	8	3
„ Green	生蔥	„	6	4	6
„ Shanghai	上海蔥頭	„	6	6	—
Parsley	芹菜	„	40	60	8
Potato, Sweet	番薯	„	5	3	—
„ Japanese	日本薯仔	„	5	3	—
„ American	金山薯仔	„	7	3	—
Pumpkin	冬瓜	„	5	4	4
Radish	紅蘿蔔仔	„	5	—	—
Rhubarb (Fresh)	大黃菜	„	—	—	10
Shallots	干葱	„	10	8	—
Spinach	菠菜	„	10	4	—
Tomatoes	番茄	„	10	7	—
Taros	芋	„	4	6	—
Turnips, Punti (Long).	蘿蔔菜	„	5	4	—
Vegetable Marrow	節瓜	„	8	4	—
Water Cress	西洋	„	8	15	—
Water Lily Root	蓮藕	„	8	6	—

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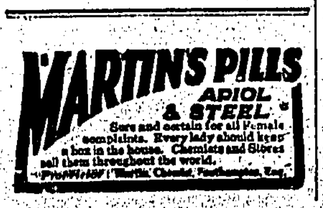

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E. D. C. WOLFE,
Capt. Supt. of Police.
Hong Kong, 7th December, 1927.

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Hong Kong, 8th December, 1927.

MACAO RACES.

FIFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING.
SUNDAY 11th DECEMBER, 1927.
(Weather Permitting)

First Saddling Bell 12.45 p.m.
First Race at 1.15 p.m.
Public Enclosure 40 cents.
Members' Enclosure $2.00.
STEAMERS TO MACAO.
S.S. Sui An—9.30 a.m. Sunday, 11th December.
S.S. Lungshan—8.30 a.m. Sunday, 11th December.
RETURN FROM MACAO.
S.S. Lungshan 5 p.m.
S.S. Sui An 6.30 p.m.
By Order,
S. W. CHENG,
Secretary.

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DECEMBER 9, 10, 12, 15, 16 and 17,
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Wednesday, December 14,
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THE NINTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Head Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 22nd day of December, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 30th September, 1927, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from SATURDAY, the 10th December, 1927, until THURSDAY, the 22nd December, 1927, both days inclusive.

Shareholders intending to send in for registration Transfers of Partly Paid "New" Shares are particularly requested to note that the liability to pay the Final Call of $3 per share is not transferred to the transferee, and the Company will therefore require payment of the Final Call before registering a transfer of "New" Shares.

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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 5th December, 1927.

LESSONS IN CHINESE.

MR. LI HON FUN begs to state that he has been a teacher of Chinese to European Officers and Merchants in Hong Kong for more than twenty years, that he has had considerable experience in training students for examinations in Chinese, and holds first-class certificates.
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CINEMA NOTES.

"DON JUAN" AT QUEEN'S THEATRE.

JOHN BARRYMORE'S ROLE.

"Don Juan" comes to the Queen's Theatre to-day as the feature attraction until Saturday. The title role is by the foremost romantic actor of the time—John Barrymore, who has given one of his greatest, if not his supreme, performance for the screen. The part affords him an opportunity to display that concisely elegant humour for which he and his family are so justly famous.

The story really encompasses two dramas—the tragedy of Don Jose, the father, contained in the prologue, and the drama of Don Juan, the son, in the picture itself.

Don Juan instils into the young Don Juan a distrust of women which is emphasised when the son sees his father killed by the woman he has trusted.

Fabulously rich, comely, noble mannered, accomplished in the arts and graces of his day, Don Juan quite naturally gravitates toward Rome, where the Italian renaissance is flourishing at the height of its glory, magnificence and prosperity. Here, established in a luxurious palace he wins the hearts of Rome's fairest.

The ladies whom the great lover loves in the picture are beautifully impersonated by ten lending ladies —Mary Astor, Estelle Taylor, Helene Costello, Myrna Loy, Jane Winton, June Marlowe, Helena D'Algy, Helen Lee Worthing, Hedda Hopper and Phyllis Haver. Montagu Love and Warner Oland are the outstanding figures among the men.

However, "Don Juan" is more than a love story—it is a tale of adventure, full of exciting incidents, not the least being two thrilling combats, one of which is strongly reminiscent of Douglas Fairbanks. The picture starts promptly at the times advertised.

"OH! WHAT A NURSE."

Syd Chaplin, who ranks to-day as the screen's greatest female impersonator, will be seen at the Star Theatre in "Oh! What a Nurse," the big comedy hit which is being screened there from to-day to Saturday. The picture is one of the funniest the famous comedian has made and it is sure to draw crowded houses.

"Oh! What a Nurse" presents Syd Chaplin as a young newspaper reporter who is compelled to act as substitute for the young lady who runs the advice to the lovelorn column. In this role he is forced to adapt female disguise, first as a widow and then as a nurse. Many exciting adventures follow with a laughable climax.

"FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE."

Returning to the World Theatre to-day as the feature attraction until Saturday, Harold Lloyd's great comedy, "For Heaven's Sake" is sure to receive a cordial welcome, as the picture is one of the most popular screened in the Colony.

In "For Heaven's Sake" Harold Lloyd is a bored young millionaire who suddenly finds himself swept off his feet by a series of astonishing events in the tougher regions of New York. The picture is delightfully funny and it has at least one big thrill.

PENSION FOR BLIND.

The pathetic spectacle of blind beggars will be banished from Croydon if those so afflicted living in the borough accept the council's offer of a pension, provided that they do not beg any more.

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LOCAL LECTURE.

"THE HISTORICITY OF JESUS."

KIND OF MYSTERY PLAY.

In a lecture to the members of the local branch of the Rationalist Press Association, in Lane, Crawford's restaurant, yesterday evening, Mr. R. D. Forrest took as his subject "The Historicity of Jesus." He said:

I endeavoured in my last paper to show as fully as the time at my disposal would allow that none of the commonly held views of the Jesus of the Gospels was satisfactory. I now proceed to give what appears to me to be the true explanation of the facts, which is, in brief, that the Gospel Jesus is a myth, no more or less real than Thor or Dionysus, and that belief in his actual existence originated in a gradual misunderstanding as the religion of Jesus was carried over from the mystic and gnostic. East to the matter-of-fact peoples of the West unaccustomed to think in terms of myths.

To explain how this could come about I shall first call your attention to an almost universal frailty of the human mind. All of us when we come to take stock of our ideas find that we have been guilty of what we may call the hypostatisation of abstracts, the taking for granted that because a name exists, therefore a thing exists corresponding to the name. Hence we are asked such empty questions as: What is life? To this, of course, the only answer is that, grammatically, life is a verbal noun, and that logically the word is applied to the abstract quality which we recognise as common to all the things classed together as living. A little reflection will suggest many other examples of this fallacy. What it can do in the domain of religion is seen by the example of the Falashas or Black Jews of north-east Africa, among whom the Sabbath is now worshipped as a goddess,—a terrible warning to all true sabbatarians.

Particular Conditions.

Having said so much, I shall now turn to the particular conditions among which Christianity took its rise.

The well-known difference of the Pharisees and Sadducees, or a diligent reading of the Old Testament, should put us on our guard against the too common idea that Judaism was at any ancient time a homogeneous religion. Rather we see an official cult centred in the Temple of Jerusalem jealously guarding its privileges and struggling to repress or absorb into itself local or popular religious practices. Now, there is evidence to show that among these local rites was the worship of Joshua, whose name is the Hebrew equivalent of Jesus. To this day he is spoken of in the Jewish New Year ritual in terms that befit an angel rather than a mere mortal, and he appears to be identical with the angel of Exodus ch. xxiii. This reduction of gods who have been worsted in the struggle for existence to the rank of angels and finally to men provided with a local habitation and a name is common in developing monotheisms.

The second great influence in the formation of the new creed was that of gnosticism. Arising apparently outside the Jewish fold, in an interaction of Zoroastrian and Babylonian astrology, this early theosophy came even before the Christian era to borrow certain Jewish ideas, and, as we see from the example of Philo, one of the first to use the word Logos in a theological sense, and of the original pre-Christian part of the "Teaching of the Twelve Apostles," gnosticism was not without its influence on Judaism in its turn. The gnostic systems are none of them completely known to us, but of the gnostic method we know sufficient to say that everything was spoken in parables, and we may conclude that to the initiate it was given to understand the mysteries. The now apocryphal book of "Wisdom" contains the following passage, where the speaker is Wisdom personified:

"Come unto me all ye that be desirous of me and fill yourselves with my fruits. For the remembrance of me is sweeter than honey, and mine inheritance than the honeycomb. They that eat me shall have the more hunger, and they that drink me shall thirst the more."

The Logos.

In this will be recognised a curious anticipation of well-known New Testament verses. Philo uses of the Logos—originally an abstract word meaning 'speech' or 'reason' and applied particularly in religion to the 'reason' or 'word' of God,—terms which we are accustomed to think of in connection with Jesus. The Logos is the comforter, the pleader for sinners before God, the great high priest. Philo, be it noted, was accustomed to interpret the Old Testament symbolically, and we may presume that he did not forget that he was dealing in metaphors, but what is more natural than that his phrases, or even the passage from "Wisdom" should induce readers to imagine an actual person to whom they are applied?

Brief reference must now be made to the last of the influences of which I spoke. Almost throughout the world, but more especially in western Asia, we find traces of a custom known among anthropologists as that of Eating the God. In its fully developed form, for which with its many variants I would refer you to Frazer's "Golden Bough," the custom consists in sacrificial cannibalism, the victim being identified with the god, clad in royal raiment, worshipped, and finally slain and eaten by the worshippers, who thus become one with the god whom the victim personated. Politer manners in time reduced this to a merely symbolic rite, in which the human victim was represented by an animal or even by some other foodstuff. Many, if not most, religions have had their sacramental meals.

Genesis of Christianity.

We are now in a position to see the genesis of Christianity in more detail. Among the local varieties of Judaism which survived the attempts of the official priest hood to suppress it was one in which peculiar reverence was paid to Joshua, i.e., Jesus. Influences by gnostic ideas, the worshippers of Joshua came to identify their secondary god with the Logos or Divine Reason, and under more orthodox Jewish influence, with the Messiah, whose coming was regarded, however, in gnostic manner, as a cosmic event, outside space and time. These pre-Christian worshippers of Jesus were accustomed to meet for a sacramental meal whereby they became members of the god whom they ate in symbol. The final stage was reached when what was to its earliest adherents an allegorical statement of their theosophy spread among peoples accustomed to the local and material definiteness of classical mythology, and to the clearcut categories of Greek philosophy. These latter demanded details of the life of him whom they worshipped, and in such cases leaving deliberate aside, the demand never exceeds the supply.

I am conscious of many weaknesses in this paper, due in part to the urgency of time. I have been compelled to state dogmatically much for which I should have liked to have given chapter and verse, and to leave unqualified much that requires qualification or illustration. In particular I should have liked to have spoken of Robertson's special contribution to the problem, his finding of the core of the Gospels in a kind of mystery play in which the early Christians showed forth the death of their god.

In conclusion I must add that it would only mislead if I left you with the impression that the theory here outlined is held even by a majority of non-Christian scholars. On the other hand, I would say that the number of its adherents among scholars is both considerable and increasing. It is maintained by British, American, German, Danish and French writers, and while revolutionary changes in thought on such matters are not to be looked for, I believe it will gain ground, if slowly, yet steadily.

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CONSUMPTION UP; STORAGE DOWN.

DECEMBER 1 RETURNS.

The amount of water in storage at the various reservoirs in the Colony shews a decrease over that at the same time last year, according to the official figures compiled on December 1.

The storage in Hong Kong was 1,701.25 million gallons as compared with 1,868.61 last year and in Kowloon, 399.71 million gallons as compared with 439.50 last year.

The consumption in Hong Kong has increased from an average of 20.1 gallons per head per day last year to 22.7 gallons this year. In Kowloon, it has increased from 15.5 gallons a day to 19.1 gallons.

Tytam Intermediate reservoir is the only one level with overflow, all the others being well below.

As compared with the full supply in all Hong Kong rider main districts during November, 1926, there was a full supply in all rider main districts during November this year with the exception of the districts west of Eastern street where an intermittent supply was given from November 18 to 30.

In Kowloon, there was a full supply in all districts during November both this year and last.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoir on December 1, 1927:—

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1926	1927
Tytam	8' 6"B	9' 4"B
Tytam Byewash	21' 0"B	19'10"B
Tytam Intermediate	Level	Level
Tytam Tuk	4' 9"B	11' 9"B
Wong Nei Chung	12' 1"B	12' 1"B
Pokfulum	13'11"B	17' 1"B

[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow": A denotes "Above Overflow."]

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

Tytam	315.98	309.86
Tytam Byewash	2.28	2.78
Tytam Tuk	1,301.76	1,146.25
Wong Nei Chung	16.52	16.52
Pokfulum	36.17	29.94
Total	1,868.61	1,701.25

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of November.

	1926	1927
Consumption	245.38	283.83
Estimated population	406.760	417.080
Consumption per head per day	20.1	22.7

Full Supply in all Rider Main Districts during November, 1926 and 1927 with the exception of the districts West of Eastern Street where an Intermittent Supply was given from 18th to 30th November, 1927.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

Kowloon Reservoir	1' 4"B	8' 7"B
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	Level	0' 5"B
Reception Reservoir	—	0' 7"B

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

	1926	1927
Kowloon Reservoir	338.70	269.00
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	100.80	99.10
Total	439.50	399.71

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of November.

	1926	1927
Consumption	78.52	93.41
Estimated population	157.720	162.760
Consumption per head per day	15.5	19.1

Full Supply in all districts during November, 1926 and 1927.

The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

Total rainfall to November 30, 1926, 100.33; November 30, 1927, 106.50.

ITS QUALITY THAT COUNTS

Although the Fates decreed that Windsor, Ontario, should not be allowed to send by air an expression of its best wishes to Windsor, England, yet the inhabitants of the English town were apparently determined that a message of goodwill should not go unsaid. Among the Canadian Pacific Express Co.'s shipments aboard the "Montclare" recently was to be found this expression of friendship in the form of a shield of oak made from the Windsor Forest where many Canadians were encamped during the Great War. The shield bears the municipal arms of the Royal and ancient Borough, its charter being granted in 1276 by Edward I.

The shield, which has gone forward to Windsor, Ontario, is the gift of Sir William Carter, Mayor of the English town. It was presented recently at Canada House, Trafalgar Square, London, and was received on behalf of the Canadian city by Lucien Pacaud, acting High Commissioner for Canada. A cablegram of thanks from C. E. Jackson, Mayor of Windsor, Ontario, was read on the occasion.

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CHENONCEAUX ... ... A	18th November	21st Dec.	17th Jan.
ANGERS... ... ... B	2nd December	4th Jan.	31st Jan.
D'ARTAGNAN ... ... A	16th December	18th Jan.	14th Feb.
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DEATH IN LONDON REPORTED IN SHANGHAI.

His many friends in Shanghai will be grieved to learn that news was received there by the Glen Line Eastern Agencies, Ltd., of the death of Capt. H. J. Henderson, late captain of the str. "Gleniffer," which took place about a month ago in a Nursing Home in London. Capt. Henderson's health had not been good for some time and it was known in Shanghai that he intended to miss one trip with his ship in order to undergo an operation, and his death probably took place following the operation.

Captain Henderson, who had a reputation, it is said, of having brought more brides out safely to the East than any other captain on the run, had been in the employ of the Glen Line for over 30 years and had made many friends in this port in spite of the fact that he was of a very quiet and retiring nature and had no interest in clubs or any kind of social life.

During the war Capt. Henderson served two years carrying ammunition across the Atlantic and was later torpedoed on the str. "Glenartney" in the Mediterranean, only just managing to steer his ship to land, about ten miles from Marseilles, before she sank.

Captain Henderson is survived by his wife in London to whom great sympathy is extended.

PISTOLS ON BOARD.

DETECTIVE'S FIND ON "SIBERIA MARU."

Whilst on search duty on board the s.s. "Siberia Maru" which arrived from the North on Monday, a Chinese detective discovered two automatic pistols concealed in a tea basket, which was left on deck at the bow of the ship. The arms were not claimed and no arrest was effected.

The pistols were taken ashore, and yesterday they formed the subject of an application for confiscation before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy.

After the circumstances under which the guns were found had been stated to his Worship, Mr. Schofield made the necessary order.

ROUGH SEAS.

The "Haining" from Swatow and the "Chuk Sang" from Shanghai both report having encountered monsoon weather with rough seas.

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WATERSIDE DISPUTE IN AUSTRALIA.

Melbourne, Yesterday.

The Waterside dispute has been settled.

Later.

It was announced in the Arbitration Court that the Waterside Workers' Federation had advised their branches that the embargo on overtime had been lifted and they instructed the branches to carry out the Court's award.

The waterside workers will offer for work to-morrow morning but there is some doubt with regard to the attitude of the owners, as it is believed that they are far from being satisfied with Judge Beeby's action and are awaiting instructions from London. But an early resumption of the work seems certain.

Owners' Dissatisfied.

Another telegram adds:—

The owners are dissatisfied with Judge Beeby's decision on the question of picking up (engaging dockers for work) holding that this should be taken out of the hands of the board with reference to any conditions in each port investigated by the Arbitration Court.

Judge Beeby announced a three months' interim award as to the laying of picking up places which would be those obtaining on January 10 last. He refused to discuss the point raised by the owners with regard to the legality of the inerim award which had been made in such circumstances.—Reuter.

U. S. BATTLESHIPS.

QUESTION OF ELEVATION OF BIG GUNS.

Washington, Yesterday.

The House of Representatives Appropriations Committee has decided to ask the House to decide as to the advisability or otherwise, of authorising the elevation of big guns on American battleships.—Reuter's American Service.

BACK IN MALTA.

BRITISH FIRST CRUISER SQUADRON.

Malta, Yesterday.

The First Cruiser Squadron has returned after 13 months' service in China.—Reuter.

BIRTH AT SEA.

The "Kaijo Maru" from Keelung via Swatow and Amoy reports that one Chinese male child was born on the voyage from Swatow to Hong Kong. Both mother and child are well.

DECK PASSENGERS.

There were 1,923 Chinese deck passengers entering the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday. These were brought by eight ocean-going vessels.

CHINA SQUADRON.

NEW CRUISER "BERWICK" COMING OUT.

The new cruiser "Berwick" was ordered to be commissioned with a full Devonport crew, on November 1, for service in the Fifth Cruiser Squadron, China Station. The "Berwick," of which Captain R. S. Wykes-Sneyd, D.S.O., has been in command since April, is the first to be completed of the five 10,000-ton cruisers of the 1924 programme. She was built by the Fairfield Shipbuilding and Engineering Company. The nominal strength of the Fifth Cruiser Squadron is five ships, but the "Despatch," Captain R. B. Ramsay, has just returned home to Chatham, and the four units at present on the station are the "Hawkins," flagship of Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Tyrwhitt, at Shanghai; the "Carlisle" Captain G. W. Hallifax, at Nanking; the "Durban," Captain G. L. Coleridge, at Hong Kong; and the "Vindictive," Captain D. B. Le Mottée, at Chefoo.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The M.V. "Remo" (D. & Co.) sailed from Singapore on December 2, and is expected here to-day.

The P. & O. s.s. "Mantua" left Shanghai for this port on December 6 at 1 p.m. with the Mails, and is due here to-morrow at about 8 a.m.

The B. I. s.s. "Garmula" left Singapore for this port on December 2 at p.m., and is due here on December 12 at a.m.

The Ben Line s.s. "Bendoran" from Middlesbro', Antwerp, London and Straits is due to arrive here on December 12.

The s.s. "Calulu" (D. & Co.) sailed from Rabaul on November 30, and is expected here on December 13.

The s.s. "Corby Castle" (D. & Co.) sailed from Honolulu on November 26, and is due in Manila on January 1, 1928.

The M.V. "Viminale" (D. & Co.) sailed from Aden on December 5, and is due here on January 5, 1928.

The M.V. s.s. "Canton" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Rotterdam on November 22, and is due here on or about January 5.

The s.s. "Bowes Castle" (D. & Co.) sailed from New York on November 26, and is due here on January 22, 1928.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships and auxiliaries were in harbour this morning:—

North Arm Basin, Francol, Witherington and Bruce; South Wall Basin, Peterel and Tern; East Wall Basin, Subs. L4, L7, L19 and L15; North Arm, Argus; West Wall Dock, Titania and L2 and L3; In Dock, Sterling, Stormcloud, Cicala and Nessus; Buoy 1, Wivern; Buoy 2, Carlisle; Buoy 3, Bluebell; Buoy 4, Herald; Buoy 5, Irequois; Buoy 6, Marazion; Buoy 7, Caster, Buoy 8, Ambrose; Buoy 9, Petersfield; Buoy 10, Seraph and Sepoy; Buoy 11, Serapis and Sirdar; Buoy 13, Wolverine; Buoy 19, Belgel; Buoy 26, Kheriki; Buoy A26, Ruthenia.

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EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Mar. 7	Mar. 10	Mar. 13	Mar. 16	Mar. 25
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MANILA MARU .....Saturday, 31st December.
BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.
BORNEO MARU .....Saturday, 24th December.
SHUNKO MARU .....Tuesday, 3rd January.
KASADO MARU .....Friday, 6th January.
DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.
MEXICO MARU .....Thursday, 5th January.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.
BINGO MARU .....Friday, 23rd December.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER Via Japan Ports.
LONDON MARU (From Shanghai)..Tuesday, 13th December.
ALABAMA MARU (From Shanghai).Wednesday, 21st December.
HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOW & PAKHOI.
MENADO MARU .....Tuesday, 20th December, 10 a.m.
TAIKWA MARU .....Tuesday, 3rd Jan., 10 a.m.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.
JAPAN PORTS
ATLAS MARU .....Tuesday, 13th December.
SUMATRA MARU .....Thursday, 15th December.
KOHSHUN MARU .....Tuesday, 20th December.
KEELUNG Via SWATOW & AMOY.
KAIJO MARU .....Sunday, 11th Dec., 11 a.m.
HOZAN MARU .....Sunday, 18th Dec., 11 a.m.
TAIKWA MARU .....Wednesday, 21st Dec., 10 a.m.
TAKAO Via SWATOW & AMOY.
DELI MARU .....Thursday, 15th Dec., 10 a.m.
TAKAO—Direct.
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KOHSHUN MARU .....Tuesday, 20th December.
DAIREN—via TAKAO.
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KASHGAR	9,005	24th Dec.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
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MOREA	10,953	7th Jan.	Marseilles & London
KALYAN	9,144	7th Jan.	Straits & Bombay
DEVANHA	8,155	21st Jan.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
MALWA	10,986	4th Feb.	Marseilles & London.
KHYBER	9,114	18th Feb.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
MACEDONIA	11,120	3rd Mar.	Marseilles & London
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KASHMIR	8,985	17th Mar.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
KARMALA	9,128	24th Mar.	Marseilles & London
MANTUA	10,946	31st Mar.	Marseilles & London
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MOREA	10,953	9th Dec. 10 a.m.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
*GARMULA	5,254	14th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
KALYAN	9,144	14th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
TAKLIWA	7,936	21st. Dec.	Moji, Kobe & Osaka
DEVANHA	8,155	24th Dec. 1928	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
DELTA	8,097	1st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
ARAFURA	6,000	3rd Jan.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
MALWA	10,986	7th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KHYBER	9,114	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KHIVA	9,135	28th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MACEDONIA	11,120	4th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
TANDA	6,956	7th Feb.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
KASHMIR	8,985	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KALYAN	9,144	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
MANTUA	10,946	2nd Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	6th Mar.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
MONGOLIA	16,504	17th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MOREA	10,953	30th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KASHGAR	9,005	13th April	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MALWA	10,986	27th April	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
DEVANHA	8,155	11th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

THIS MORNING'S LIST.

Apoey (1,776) British, from Bangkok,—Wo Fat Sing:—21 passengers, 3,500 tons rice and woods for Hong Kong.

Newchwang (1,501) British, from Canton,—B. & S.:—200 tons general cargo (through).

Cheong Shing (1,256) British, from Canton, — Jardine's: — 183 packages (through).

Talma (6,164) British, from Osaka, Amoy,—Mackinnon Mackenzie:—757 passengers, 582 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 2,372 tons general (through).

Chak Sang (1,470) British, from Swatow,—Jardine's:—4 passengers, 460 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 1,300 tons general (through).

Hydrangea (561) British, from Swatow,—Chin On S.S. Co.:—138 passengers, 105 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Limchow (1,416) French, from Haiphong, Hoihow,—Sing Kee:—314 passengers, 3,658 tons coal, and general cargo for Hong Kong.

Hanoi (739) French, from Haiphong, Fort Bayard,—M. M.:—144 passengers, 908 tons rice and general cargo for Hong Kong.

Andre Lebon (7,375) French, from Marseilles, Saigon,—M. M.:—265 passengers, 130 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 800 tons general (through).

Prosper (1,377) Norwegian, from Saigon,—Tan Yuen Hong:—450 passengers, 2,500 tons rice, and general cargo for Hong Kong.

Fuijo Maru (1,126) Japanese, from Keelung, Swatow,—O. S. K.:—154 passengers, 900 tons coal and general cargo for Hong Kong.

Ikomasan Maru (1,953) Japanese, from Miike,—Mitsui & Co.:—3,881 tons coal for Hong Kong.

Toyo Maru (1,310) Japanese, from Dairen,—Sawayama Kisen Kaisha:—2,570 tons coal, bean and cement for Hong Kong.

Busho Maru (1,565) Japanese, from Dairen,—O. S. K.:—2,871 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Tak Hing (101) Chinese, from Macao—Hoo Hing S. N. Co.—60 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Departures.

For Swatow:—Menado Maru, Newchwang.
For Shanghai:—Wray Castle, Andre Lebon.
For Macao:—Tak Hing.
For Dairen:—Oyama Maru.
For Canton:—Chenan, Song Bo, Chak Sang.
For Hongay:—Wong Shek Kung.
For Antau:—Tak Hing.
For Singapore:—Ishikari.
For Manila:—Pres. Pierce.

Clearances.

For Hoihow:—Borneo.
For Singapore:—Van Heutsz.
For Muntok:—Tjitarcem.

Shipping Abstract.

	Arrivals	Departures	In Port
British	6	4	27
Japanese	4	3	6
Norwegian	1	0	4
Chinese	1	3	18
French	3	2	2
American	0	1	1
Panama	0	0	1
Dutch	0	0	7
Portuguese	0	0	2
	15	18	68

MARINE INQUIRY?

SEQUEL TO "WING HUNG"—"ANJOU" COLLISION.

A CAPTAIN'S REQUEST.

Regarding the collision between the s.s. "Anjou" and the s.s. "Wing Hung" on the 28th ult., which was followed shortly afterwards by the s.s. "Wing Hung" going ashore near Pakhautau village, it is understood that an enquiry has been asked for by Capt. Smith, of the "Wing Hung."

No definite date has yet been fixed for the hearing.

The two ships were proceeding to Wuchow at the time of the collision.

PANTRY BOY'S CASE.

A pantry boy of the s.s. "Chipshing" yesterday summoned Mr. N. M. McIlson, second officer of the ship, for alleged assault. When the case was called before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy, leave was asked to withdraw the summons, it being explained to his Worship that the case had been settled out of Court. The summons was accordingly struck out of the Court list.

ENGINE TROUBLE.

The s.s. "Vulcanus" which left here with a consignment of kerosene for Foochow on Monday, returned to port yesterday for repairs, she having experienced engine troubles on her way out.

FRUIT TRADE.

The Cunard Company has placed cargo steamers in the fruit trade from Greece to Ireland. One is completing discharge at Cork, another is booked to that port, and a third is entered for discharge at Dublin. Arrangements have been made for the distribution of the fruit through importers to vendors throughout the Free State, and thus, it is expected, a sufficiently large trade will be developed to maintain the continuance of the steamer services. Loading takes place at Patras, and a direct service is given to Cork and Dublin, the consignments being sufficient to warrant separate steamers to each port.

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Consignees of cargo ex s.s. "Kina" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after December 11.

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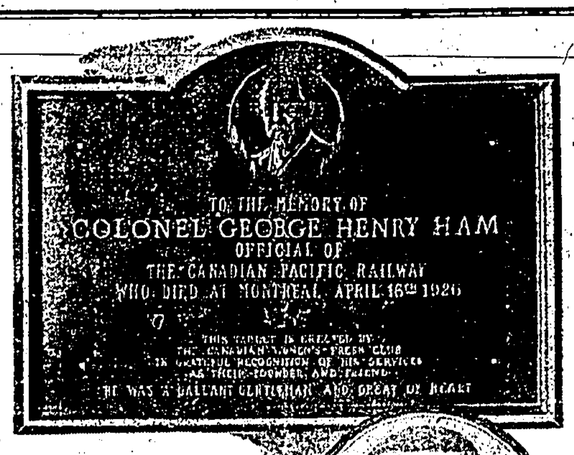

Newspaper women from many parts of Canada, officials of the Canadian Pacific Railway and friends gathered recently in Montreal to honor the memory of the late Col. George Ham, founder of the Canadian Women's Press Club and for many years active in publicity work of the Canadian Pacific Railway. A bronze memorial bearing a medallion likeness of the late Col. Ham was unveiled in the Windsor Street Station, the gift of the Canadian Women's Press Club, as a tribute to the founder of their organization.

The memorial bore the following inscription—

"To the memory of Colonel George Henry Ham, official of the Canadian Pacific Railway, who died in Montreal April 16th, 1926. This tablet is erected by the Canadian Women's Press Club in grateful recognition of his services as their founder and friend. He was a gallant gentleman and great of heart."

Following the unveiling by Miss May S. Clendennan, president of the C.W.P.C., the permanent memorial was accepted for the Canadian Pacific by E. W. Beatty, chairman and president of the Company.

In reply Mr. Beatty said:

"I accept this tablet on behalf of the C.P.R. with a great deal of appreciation and gratitude to the members of your club. It is very appropriate that it should come from the Canadian Women's Press Club to the C.P.R. because of Col. Ham's association with both. I well remember his jocular references to his rather unique distinction as a member of your club. I also remember how proud he was of his membership.

"It is equally appropriate that it should be here under the roof of the building in which he spent so many glowing and useful years.

"I myself had an association with him for over a quarter of a century. He was always the same genial philosopher. I don't think I ever met a man who had the ability to say in semi-serious or humorous way the great truths Col. Ham was able to say. He had three outstanding qualities—kindness, courage and loyalty. His kindness not only showed in his ability to say witty things. I don't think any man or woman applied to George Ham during his long life who did not receive an immediate response. He showed courage in spite of physical disability and mental depression. He was loyal to his friends, loyal to his company, and very loyal to his political affiliations. He had a religious side he did not speak about, evidenced by his constant help of other men.

"And so, ladies, in accepting this tablet, which, expresses so appropriately what we feel, I would say that in this place where thousands of employees of this company pass every week, it will be a constant reminder of the man and of his character. Junior members will learn from it, and I hope its presence here will be an inspiration to them. They will remember, too, that ability to give happiness is not the least of human virtues.

PASSENGER LIST.

ARRIVALS.

Per s.s. "Andre Lebon" from Marseilles, Singapore, Saigon, etc., on Dec. 7:—Mr. and Mrs. Mme. Antonio Matute, Mr. E. N. Doodha, Mr. R. B. Lattimore, Mr. I. Dickinson, Mr. and Mrs. Lobo and 4 infants, Mlle. Marguerite Skolfson, Mr. and Mme. Joshitaro Marita, Mr. and Mme Gregorio and Mr. Jesus Borromeo, Soeur Hortense, Mme. Suzanne Laville and baby, Mr. Gregorio Urginaga, Mr. Ladezma, Dr. Lionel de Souza, Mlle. May Bruce.

DEPARTURES.

Per s.s. "Andre Lebon" for Shanghai and Yokohama on December 7:—Mr. and Mrs. E. Marx, Miss Armanda da Cruz, Miss Angelina da Cruz, Mme. Monlot.

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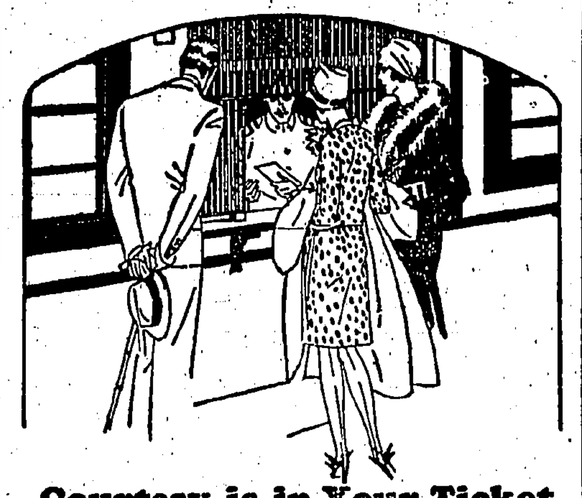

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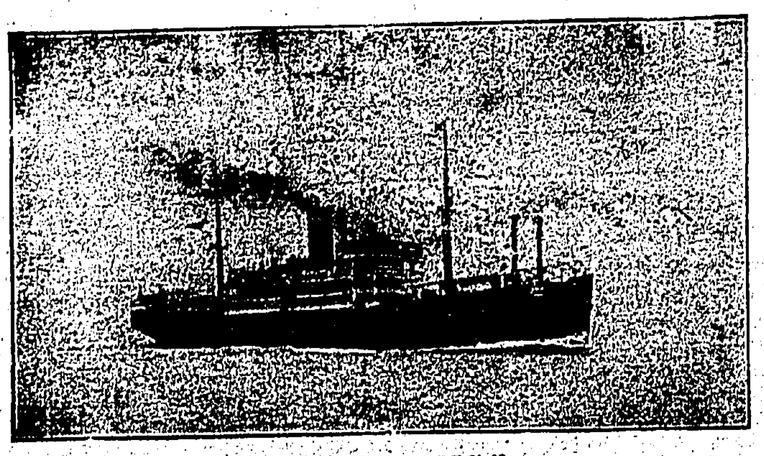

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BIRTH.

KLEIN.—On December 1, 1927, at the Victoria Nursing Home, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. W. Klein, a daughter.

DEATH.

HARTWELL.—On December 2, 1927, at Hwangsien, Shantung, China, Charles Norris Hartwell, Southern Baptist Missionary.

Hong Kong, Thursday, Dec. 8, 1927.

GOSSIP.

An American has described gossip as "the meanest habit in the world," implying its utter deadliness. Upon reflection, we are inclined to agree, and so would other people, if they really gave the matter the consideration it deserves. Indeed, if they reflected at all, they would cease being gossips; they would train themselves to hold their tongues. For, putting it tersely, the "gift of the gab" isn't a gift—it's a peril. The man or woman who sits silently by while the gossips are telling everything they *think* they know, is not the dull member of the party, but really the smart one. The trouble is that there is some wayward kink in the nature of most of us that delights at the reception of gossip. We encourage the pestilential individual who retails it. Generally he is a "popular" fellow; always knows (or thinks he knows) the latest about so-and-so, why A.B. did this and what C.D. is going to do next. We listen avidly to his gossip—and as a rule promptly pass it on to someone else. In this respect we truly are sorry mortals!

And all because we do not stop to think. A gossip, when all is said and done, is a vile character, a public menace. He richly deserves to be muzzled, for he has it within his power to inflict a poison every bit as potent as that which occasions hydrophobia. With a few words he can ruin a reputation—our reputation, your reputation—start a run on a bank, break up a church, make people, neighbours and business colleagues, hate one another, shatter the happiness of a home. No man or woman is immune from the fangs of a gossip. He simply talks without thinking. Something allegedly "smart" occurs to him and out it comes. He is a danger to himself and others—though, unfortunately, it is always the others who suffer most.

Our downright denunciation of gossip and gossips is prompted by the perusal of a man's actual experiences (or, rather, his sufferings) in this regard. It was the man whose definition of the habit opens this article. His description, we consider, is well merited, and everything we have written receives, we submit, daily substantiation. All of which seems to show that of the many peculiar benefits bestowed upon civilised man the power of speech is the one he should specially guard; it is his greatest responsibility. How often do we say the things which, a minute later, we regret? How often do we spend a worrying period in explaining, in attempting to justify or in apologising for something we have said? Why not, then, reflect a little before we say it?

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ST. ANDREW'S CEREMONY.

St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, was the scene of a pretty wedding yesterday, the parties being Miss Lilian Hannah Price, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. G. Price; and Mr. Alexander Urquhart, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. D. Urquhart.

The Rev. W. E. Rogers officiated.

The bride, who was charmingly attired in a white charmeuse dress trimmed with orange blossom and white embroidered veil, was given away by Mr. Starling Jex. Her bouquet was of white chrysanthemums and maiden hair fern.

She was attended by the Misses L. Ferguson, D. Brackstone, J. Jex (niece) and D. Faulkner, as bridesmaids, and by Miss T. Jex (niece) as flower-girl, the bridesmaids and flower-girl wearing pretty dresses of pink taffeta and silver lace, blue taffeta and mauve taffeta respectively and carrying bouquet of golden chrysanthemums, pink dahlias and pink roses respectively.

Mr. J. C. Ferguson was best man and the ushers were Messrs. E. C. Fincher, G. E. L. Johnson, R. E. Slattery and W. G. Urquhart.

During the service, a solo—"Still as the Night" was given by Mrs. Sanger accompanied by Mr. J. Braga on the violin.

After the ceremony, many friends of the bride and bridegroom attended a reception at the St. Andrew's Church Hall after which the young couple left for their honeymoon at Repulse Bay, the bride travelling in black and white satin ensemble.

List of Presents.

Following is a list of presents received by the bride and bridegroom:—

Miss Allen, butter dish; Mrs. G. Banker, 1-pr. Satsuma vases; Miss Bascombe, jam jar; Miss Brackstone, silver coffee service; Miss M. Braga, salad bowl; Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Branson, cut-glass vase; Mr. P. Brown, rug; Mr. D. E. Cappelman, 1-pr. silver sweet dishes; Mr. H. Y. Chan, 1-pr. silver photo frames; Messrs. Chan Tze-chit, Ching Mun-sau, Ching Tsi-chit, Kum Yat-ming, Lo Bo-wah, Lo Po-chun, Pak Yiu-kai, Pak Yat-sum, Tam Kwok-ching, silver tea service; Mr. Chan Chop-po and Mr. Chan Hau-po, blackwood table; Mr. and Mrs. H. Ching, 1-pr jam jars; Mr. and Mrs. C. Choa, condiment stand; Mrs. Chubb and Messrs. G., T., and J. Chubb, lacquer tea poys; Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Churn, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Grose, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Roberts, Mr. G. A. V. Hall, Mr. H. C. Hunt, Dr. E. Law, silver trinket box; Mr. and Mrs. A. Cunningham, silver vase; Miss D. Dierks, silver tea knives and forks; Mr. P. A. Dixon, silver asparagus dish and sauce boat; Mr. and Mrs. R. Drude, silver fruit dish; Mr. G. Duncan, Jr., silver cake knife; Mr. O. Eager, cheque; Mr. C. T. Evans, 6 silver spoons; Miss L. Ezra and Miss M. Gittens, 1-pr. ivory photo frames; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Faulkner, silver card tray; Mrs. Ferguson, electric toaster; Miss Ferguson and Mr. J. C. Ferguson, 1 set table glass; Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Fisher, lacquer tea table; Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Ford, silver sweet dish; Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Ford, 1-pr silver tooth-pick stands; Miss A. Garth and Mrs. Yacht, silver butter dish; Miss V. V. H. Gill, silver entree dishes; Mr. and Mrs. A. Gillard, jam jar; Mr. and Mrs. H. Gittens and Miss Gittens, blackwood teapoys; Mr. W. M. Gittens, ginger jar; Miss K. Gourdin, jam jar; Mr. J. Hall, lacquer centre table; Mr. W. S. Hillier, centre bowl; Mr. and Mrs. Ho Leung, 1-pr silver sweet dishes; Mr. and Mrs. S. Jex, silver tea service; Mr. G. E. L. Johnson, silver jam jar; Miss Kacker and Mr. E. C. Fincher, silver cake stand; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kew, 1 doz. coffee cups and silver spoons; Mrs. G. Law, 1-pr silver vases; Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Lee, ½ doz. silver spoons; Miss A. Lee, silver jam jar; Mr. Leong Yu-kwan, cheque; Mr. H. G. Leong, cheque; Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Lo, 1-pr silver sweet dishes; Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Lo, silk scarf; Mrs. E. Mackay, Miss E. Rogers, Miss I. Rogers, silver toast rack and tooth-pick stands; Mr. and Mrs. C. Mackenzie, silver sweet dish; Mr. and Mrs. J. Mackenzie, ½ doz. silver spoons; Mrs. A. E. Matthews, silver condiment set; Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell, ½ doz. silver coffee spoons; Miss L. McKenzie and Mr. W. Way, ½ doz. silver tea knives and forks; Mr. D. C. Miller, silver condiment set; Miss R. Mow Fung, silver sweet dish; Mr. W. Naef, liqueur set; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Parren, cut-glass water jug; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Peters, 1-pr silver tea-plate handles; Miss Joyce Peters, rug; Miss M. Poon, manicure set; Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Proulx, silver sweet dish; Mr. and Mrs. J. Rodger, silver salts and peppers; Miss H. D. Sawyer, Japanese coffee set; Miss V. Shea, Mr. J. Shea, Mr. E. Shea, Mr. W. Shea, silver cake basket; Messrs. R. E. Slattery and C. E. M. Terry, silver condiment set and tray; Mr. M. Takeuchi, 1-pr Satsuma vases; Mr. W. G. Urquhart, 1 doz. silver coffee spoons; Mrs. Wong and Mr. J. Wong, silver jam jar; Mr. W. Ward, cut-glass toilet set; Mr. Shui Shuk-lim, 1 roll silk; Mr. Yeung Shuk-ping, 1-pr silver egg cups; The D.O.G.A., dinner gong; No. 2 Platoon, H.K.V.D.C., silver cigarette box.

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SERIES OF STOWAWAYS.

A Russian named Peter Lembikoff, who claimed to have been a soldier in Chang Tso-lin's army for several months at a salary of $15 per month, was this morning charged before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy with arriving in the Colony without a passport on December 3, after having stowed away from Shanghai on board the s.s. "President Taft." The accused, apparently, managed to get ashore unobserved, and wandered about for a few days before he gave himself up to the Police as a destitute.

According to Sub-Inspector Elston, the accused was deported from Siam in January, 1925, as an undesirable alien. He next turned up in Burma in June, 1926, and was deported from that place. In September of the same year, he went to Canton where he was detained by the Police. He managed to escape from the Police Station where he was detained and made his way to Hong Kong. Here he was immediately taken in hand by the Police and deported to Shanghai. Nothing more was heard of the accused until June of this year when he made a second attempt to enter Siam. He was arrested in Bangkok with incriminating papers in his possession and deported to Swatow, whence he made his way back to Shanghai, and subsequently stowed away on the "President Taft" and entered Hong Kong a second time on December 3.

The Magistrate passed sentence of six weeks' hard labour, after which term the accused will again be deported from the Colony.

SANITARY BOARD.

MR. BRAGA SUCCEEDS DR. MACGOWN.

ONLY NOMINATION.

As his was the only nomination to the Sanitary Board for the vacancy caused by the expiry of Dr. J. C. Macgown's three years of service, Mr. J. P. Braga will duly take his seat for the usual period.

Mr. Graga served on the Board during the absence of Dr. W. V. M. Koch during which period he actively interested himself in affairs pertaining to the public welfare.

ANOTHER BANISHEE.

CAUGHT ON RETURNING TO COLONY.

Mr. R. E. Lindsell had before him at the Central Magistracy this morning, a Chinese youth who admitted returning to the Colony after he had been banished for a period of ten years as recently as June 1, 1927.

Asked for the accused's record, Sub-Inspector Vincent said that in December, 1926, the accused got four months' hard labour for house breaking and receiving stolen property. On June 1 this year, he was "confidentially" banished from the Colony for going about with convicted thieves.

The Magistrate passed sentence of twelve months' hard labour and twleve strokes of the birch.

"MERRIE ENGLAND."

SUCCESSFUL FULL DRESS REHEARSAL.

A full dress rehearsal of "Merrie England" was given last night at the Theatre Royal by a cast of nearly one hundred members of the Philharmonic Society.

The audience, composed mainly of friends of those taking part, and men of H.M. Forces, were agreeably surprised at the very capable and enthusiastic manner in which each member of the cast carried out his or her part.

To those who have been responsible for the careful production of a fantasy of England in the days of Good Queen Bess, which calls for hard and enthusiastic work, congratulations are due.

The support of the public, by their attendance at so successful a production, will encourage the Society to give of their best at each performance this week and next.

SHOOTING AFFAIR.

BRITISH SOLDIER'S STRUGGLE WITH BOY.

SHOT IN SELF-DEFENCE.

Lce.-Cpl. Robertson, servant of Captain D. Harvey, A. P. M., is alleged to have shot and killed the Chinese boy employed in the apartment, on December 2, between 9.20 and 9.45 o'clock. The weapon was a 38 calibre Colt automatic pistol. Robertson left the apartment in the China United Building, walked to the Amoy Road Goal, and, as he surrendered, said that he had shot the Chinese in self-defence. It is understood that he made no further statements.

The authorities at the Gaol notified Sinza police station and Det.-Sgt. Grubb went to the scene at once. Nothing was touched, however, until the officers from the Finger Print Department arrived, to photograph the interior of the room and to examine the corpse. A police physician, likewise, attended, and pronounced the man dead.

On beginning their investigations the police found the Chinese near the door to the apartment through which it is believed that Robertson emerged. Because the door swings inward, they have arrived at the conclusion that the servant was not killed instantaneously, but that, after his assailant left the room, he managed to crawl toward the door, and fell dead just inside. He evidently attempted to raise himself, and in so doing, pulled on himself a bag of golf clubs.

Deceased lay with his head toward the door, his right hand near his head, and the left hand extended alongside the body. The pistol was found within a few inches of the hand. There were three spent shells not far distant.

Officers are of opinion that a struggle took place before the shooting because several bullet holes were found in opposite corners of the room.

The weapon had not been used for some time and on December 1 it is known that it was unloaded. The weapon was freshly greased, and the police found a clearly imprinted finger mark upon the left side.

When it has been determined whose finger made the imprint, the police believe that they still further will be able to determine how much of a struggle took place.

VOLUNTEER CORPS.

PROGRAMME FOR ENSUING WEEK.

THE ANNUAL CAMP.

The following Orders by Lt.-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., Administrative Commandant, have been issued:—

Annual Camp.

Full particulars regarding the annual camp which takes place between December 1 and 18 have been issued to all ranks on November 18 by type written circular.

Men can proceed to Camp the evening of the day before, i.e., on Friday evening.

O.C. Companies will report to the Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C., as soon as possible the number of members attending camp, stating meals required, so that rations can be arranged.

Those wishing to have their baggage sent to the Camp at Fanling must deliver it, clearly labelled with owners' names at Corps Headquarters by 2 p.m. on Friday.

Corps Signals.

Parade at Corps Headquarters on Monday and Thursday, at 5.30 p.m. for Signal Instruction.

There will be a shoot with a team from one H.M. ships on the Miniature Range on Wednesday. Team to be notified later.

Some members are still without hosetops: they are to draw them without further delay from C.Q.M.S. Millington.

Artillery Company.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.25 p.m. on Thursday for Battery Drill.

Thursday, December 22. There will be a lecture by an officer from Kai Tack on Aeroplane co-operation with heavy Artillery. All ranks of the Corps are invited to be present.

Engineer Company.

The Field Sections will go to Camp from December 8 to 12. All ranks will parade at Kowloon Railway Station on December 8 at 5.15 p.m. in order to catch the 5.48 p.m. train.

Strength.

The following recruit is taken on the strength on December 1 and posted to No. 7 Platoon (Scottish Co.):—No. 1284 Pte. A. N. Braude.

Sergeants' Mess Meeting.

There will be a Sergeants' Mess Meeting at 6 p.m. on Thursday, December 22. All members will please attend.

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In spite of the inclement weather the exhibition attracted some 2,000 people and the quality of the produce exhibited was high, also the non-competitive exhibits such as agricultural machinery and other implements.

The show is open again to-day.

His Excellency the Governor, who was accompanied by Lady Clementi, arrived at Lady Ho Tung's farm shortly after 2.30, being met by members of the Show committee. The party then proceeded to the Show buildings where a raised dais had been erected for the opening ceremony.

Among those present at the opening were Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Capt. Whyte, A.D.C., the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Sir Shou-son Chow, Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Fraser, Mr. A. E. Wood, Mr. G. P. de Martin, the Hon. Dr. Kotewall, C.M.G., Mr. Ho Kom-tong, Mr. R. C. Tredwell, Mr. A. Cameron, Mr. W. Gerrard (A.S.P.), Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. Kwok Shiu-lau, members of the Show committee, village elders and many others.

REV. R. H. WELLS' SPEECH.

The Rev. H. R. Wells spoke as follows:

Your Excellency, Ladies and Gentlemen, we are here to-day for the purpose of opening this show which is, I believe, the first one held in the New Territories. The subject was broached some years ago, but circumstances were against its being carried out earlier, and last year when it was again mentioned, I was asked if I would be willing to assist in the arrangements.

Needless to say, this is not a one man's work, it necessitated the united efforts of a number of people, and we have to report that many willing helpers were forthcoming. I cannot refrain mentioning the names of a few of these, and first of all must thank Lady Ho Tung, and through her, Sir Robert, for the extremely happy way in which hospitality has been extended to us with all liberality.

The next person who should be mentioned is Mr. J. P. Braga, our Secretary and Treasurer, who has given unstinted effort to make the Show a success. He has supplied us with many kinds of stationery, and much printed matter, and has provided clerical work and postage, without charging one cent to the funds of the Show. This probably makes him our largest contributor on the financial side.

Messrs. Gibbs and Dowbiggin and others have helped us with plans, suggestions and advice in all the affairs of the Show.

Chinese Assistance.

Of our Chinese friends, all of whom have worked well, I should mention Messrs. Fung Kei-cheuk, Tsai Po-tin, Ng Sing-chi, the Secretary, and Tang Wei-tong. The assistance given by the first and second mentioned gentlemen has been of the greatest value as they are resident in Hong Kong, and Mr. Fung not only assisted in every possible detail of the work but gave away seeds of many kinds and himself distributed printed papers of instructions for planting and care of the articles. Without the aid of these gentlemen it would have been almost impossible to attain our present success.

Mr. Fraser has very greatly assisted us, and given valued advice and help in many ways.

Hope For The Future.

Our success is not so great as we might have hoped, but there are enough exhibits to show that interest has been aroused, and our Chinese friends prophesy a good show for next year. They are not downhearted or discouraged.

We limited as far as possible the exhibits from each part of the Territories so as to give every part a chance to compete. The exhibits from (Tai U Shan) Lan Tau are very few in number, but even there visits were made by our agent Mr. Fung Fook who has been over nearly all parts of the Territories advocating the interests of the Show.

There is not time to mention other friends whose interest in different ways has contributed to the present success. Mr. Owen Hughes has given a scroll for annual competition, and Messrs. J. M. da Rocha and Co. gave 13 first prizes for the rice section and 100 packets of rice seed to us for use throughout the Territories, and the Consul for Chile is providing fertiliser to exhibitors.

We are greatly honoured by your presence to-day to celebrate this occasion and extend to you our hearty thanks for the interest you have taken in our work.

GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.

His Excellency the Governor spoke in English, his speech being translated into Chinese by the Hon. Dr. Kotewall.

He said.—"It is a great pleasure to me that so soon after my return to Hong Kong from a short holiday I am called out to the New Territories. This is a part of the country which I love and have loved for many years. I always feel as I cross Kowloon Range that a load of responsibility has been lifted from my shoulders, that I am breathing purer and fresher air and that I am living nearer Nature.

I am very sorry that the weather has not been kind to us to-day. I sympathise with your Committee, but it is a greater pleasure to be rained upon in Fanling than in Hong Kong. I also rejoice that it has been my privilege to open this, the first agricultural show held on the New Territories.

I had so often in my mind when I was out here as Land Officer in the New Territories that a show such as we see here to-day would be an encouragement and incentive to agriculture in the New Territories. It never took definite shape until Mr. Wells came to me shortly after my return to Hong Kong and suggested that a committee should be formed to organise a show of this kind.

The Organisers.

Mr. Wells is therefore the prime mover in this matter and our thanks are chiefly due to him. Mr. Wells has quite rightly said that this is not a one-man show. The co-operation of many men has been necessary to make this exhibition a success.

A second enthusiast in the corps is Mr. Braga. He has not only apparently been the largest contributor in money but has also brought a fund of ideas to the Show. Then I must mention especially and honourably Lady Ho Tung. She has not only been of very great assistance in organising this exhibition but has given her grounds in which this Show might be held. For many years she has greatly interested herself in agriculture and especially in seri-culture in the New Territories.

Lady Ho Tung's Help.

I have no hesitation in saying that but for the help of Lady Ho Tung this exhibition could not have been held.

When the idea of the Show was first suggested I insisted that it must be unofficial, that is to say that the organisation must be unofficial and not official, and therefore, although the Show had my full co-operation, I held that the committee should be mainly unofficial.

Nevertheless I requested Mr. Fraser, when you invited him to be your vice-patron, that he should serve, as I felt that he might be of assistance to you with his service. I well know the paternal interest Mr. Fraser takes in this Territory.

We must also thank the officials of the Show and I wish to thank Mr. Green, superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department, because I feel that much of the success of the Show is due to him.

In one word I wish to thank the whole committee, both European and Chinese for the strenuous work they have done.

As is usual on these occasions the opener has to speak under a disadvantage, not having seen the Show. I have often thought it would be far better if those whose duty it is to open exhibitions were first taken round. They could then make some intelligent remarks concerning it. Unfortunately I am reduced to making a few general remarks on this occasion because I cannot speak of any individual exhibits.

Vegetable Culture.

There are two matters which I have always felt were of great importance to these Territories and which I should like to dwell on. Firstly, I think greater efforts should be made in the New Territories to grow vegetables, and I hope this show will give a great impetus to this. At present your staple product is rice but you cannot produce enough rice for requirements of Hong Kong which is obliged to import the greater part of its rice from Saigon and Bangkok.

There is no reason why the New Territories should not produce within themselves practically all the vegetables needed for Hong Kong. They do not do so at present and we still have to import vegetables. It is not even as if the present proprietors in the New Territories ate their own rice. As you know you grow rice which is so good that you prefer to sell it at a high price and import a cheaper kind for yourselves.

I put it to you that it would be beneficial for the Colony if you would grow vegetables and for which you would get an even greater benefit.

This is a matter in which the Botanical and Forestry Department and the Government will give you every help.

Forestry Development.

Another matter I wish to speak about is forestry, a question on which I have spoken to you before when I was assistant Land Officer and since I became Governor. It is most unfortunate that so large an area of land in this Colony lies waste and is not used for profit, I have just come back from a journey which has taken me to Japan and Korea. It is very striking to see how forestry has developed in Japan. Practically all the hills are covered with trees and the timber industry is becoming a very important industry in Japan.

I went from Japan to Korea where not many years ago the hills were as bare as those in the New Territories. During the last ten years forestry methods have been introduced and have been most successful. It is striking when you look out of the window of a railway carriage when travelling from north to south of Korea to see all along the line evidence of forestry.

I put it to you, therefore that the same thing could very well be done in the New Territories. It cannot possibly be done, however, without the co-operation of the villagers and village elders and I hope that you will give me your help in this matter.

Other Produce.

There are other produce which I imagine could be grown in the New Territories. There is bamboo, for instance, which is grown in Japan. The cotton grown here seems to have been quite successful and I am told that the report of an expert from Nanking shows that the cotton grown here is even better than that grown between Shanghai and Nanking.

I also think many of the hillsides would be quite useful for growing tea. You should not concentrate your energies on areas already under cultivation but the waste land should be brought to beneficial use.

Your aim should be as far as possible to make Hong Kong and the New Territories self supporting.

It has been my wish to present a prize to-day and I still intend to do so. As I only came back a few days ago the prize is not with me to-day and I shall have to send it on later. I hope to go round the Show with your Committee which will no doubt advise me of the one most deserving of the prize.

I congratulate you very much on your enterprise and I hope that this is only the first of a long series of successful shows to be held in the New Territories.

THE EXHIBITS.

There were about 200 exhibitors showing between 6,000 and 8,000 exhibits—an excellent result, having regard to the fact that the show is the first of its kind. The judges expressed themselves as pleased at the exceptional quality of the exhibits, particularly in the vegetable class, and it is felt that the show will do much to encourage growers.

An interesting feature of the show was the comparison between the Chinese implements on view such as the man-powered water mill machine, rice threshing and rice husking machines, and the modern agricultural implements displayed by foreign firms.

Another feature which attracted considerable interest was the display of special films dealing with agriculture shown, through arrangement with local firms interested in various products, on a specially erected screen by Hong Kong Amusements, Ltd. operators. The films were shown by courtesy of Messrs. Brunner, Mond & Co. (chemicals for agricultural purposes), Messrs. Anderson, Meyer and Co. (farming implements, etc.), Messrs. Ford Co. (through local agents, Andrew Harper & Son), and also two comedies from the Hong Kong Amusements, Ltd.).

The exhibits included a fine collection of pineapples from Mr. Peter Pott's garden; the first exhibits ever produced in the Colony of Chiu Chow oranges grown from seed (grower, Miss Gloria d'Almada); a collection of eggs of exceptional quality by Mr. Carvalho; a collection of fruit and vegetables in prime condition, from Lady Ho Tung's Experimental Farm; a fine collection of products by Mr. Green (Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department) and Mr. Luk, the Head Gardener; one sample of locally grown tea and one of cotton; interesting samples of fertilisers, including beancake from Newchwang. The poultry exhibits were of a high order.

Awards To Districts.

H.E. the Governor's special prize was won by Kam Tsin district and the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes' prize by Lady Ho Tung's Experimental Farm.

Districts competing and given in order of how they won prizes were as follows:

Kam Tsin, Un Long, Taipo, Kowloon, Castle Peak, Fanling, Shatin, Tsun Wan, Sheung Shui, Sum Tin, Shataukok. (Above districts had first prizes fairly evenly distributed among them).

Other competing districts:—Cheung Chau, Lantau, Ping Shan, Saikung.

Commercial Section.

Messrs. Brunner, Mond and Co. (China), Ltd., occupied the most prominent stand in the building set apart for the Commercial section. The stand was very effectively decorated to show to the best advantage the firm's fertilisers which have a world-wide reputation for the excellence of their quality. Both the firm's specialities were on view on their stand, viz., neutral sulphate of ammonia and the "Crescent" complete fertiliser which is claimed to contain "every food for every plant. To demonstrate the efficiency of these fertilisers Messrs. Brunner Mond, by arrangement with the committee, exhibited some forty pots of chrysanthemums and dahlias in full bloom which formed quite an attractive feature of the Show. These plants have been fertilised with B. M.'s "complete" fertiliser.

An enlarged photograph of Messrs. Brunner, Mond and Co.'s stand in the Shanghai Chrysanthemum Show 1926 was on view and was much admired.

Mechanical Ploughs.

Messrs. Andrew Harper and Son, representatives in Hong Kong for Ford Cars, Trucks and Tractors and for Lincoln Cars, secured a allotment at the Show. Within the exhibition grounds the firm conducted ploughing demonstrations and are showing a Fordson tractor and truck together with various parts of same.

Cotton and Wood Oil.

From the industrial point of view the successful experiments with cotton grown in the New Territories and the extraction of Chinese wood oil ("Tung" oil) from "Aleurites Cordata, Mull. Arg.," promise great possibilities for the future.

An expert examination of the boll of cotton grown in the Pat Heung district and exhibited at the Show pronounced it the equal to any grown in the districts around Shanghai. In fact, considerable surprise was expressed that such fine cotton could be made to grow in the hinterland of Hong Kong considering the prevalence of typhoon in these regions and what was once believed to be the unsuitability of the soil. Now that the Show has demonstrated the possibility of cotton cultivation within the Colony, it will only be a matter of time before its production on a commercial scale becomes an accomplished fact. With cotton obtainable in sufficient quantities from the district of the New Territories, the industrial development of Hong Kong will receive a very great impetus, indeed.

Chinese Wood Oil.

Another article of much commercial interest is a little bottle with a tag attached bearing the following descriptive matter —"Chinese Wood Oil (Tung Oil) from Aleurites Cordata Mull. Arg." The oil was extracted from the kernels of the fruit grown by Mr. W. Gerrard at Taipo. Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd., extracted and distilled the oil for the exhibition. The fruit of the "Aleurites" fully developed is of the size of a small apple. A few dried specimens of the fruit were shown alongside the bottle of oil and were of a dark-brown colour and of the size of a greengage plum. Chinese wood oil, as is well known, is largely imported into Hong Kong from the West River districts for export to Europe and America. An analysis of the oil extracted from the fruit grown at Taipo gave results proving it to be superior in quality and colour to the commercial article dealt in by Hong Kong merchants.

"Duro" Co. Exhibits.

Mr. W. S. V. Curtis, of the "Duro" Pump and Engineering Co., has been of much assistance to the Committee in attending to the electric installation for operating the moving picture exhibition. Principal among the Company's exhibits must be mentioned the "Matthews" Automatic Electric Lighting and Power Plant. Power from this plant was furnished for the operation of the moving picture machine supplied by the Hong Kong Amusements Syndicate and operated by their electrician. This plant,

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Entertainments.

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "Don Juan."

To-day—World Theatre; "For Heaven's Sake."

To-day—Star Theatre; "Oh! What a Nurse."

To day—Fancy dress carnival dance, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant.

December 9—At Theatre Royal opening performance of "Merrie England," 9 p.m.

December 10—Dance at the Peak Club with Lyric Band in attendance, 9.15 p.m.

December 10—Concert For Wesleyan Edifice at Old Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, Arsenal Street, 8.30 p.m.

December 11-12—World Theatre; "Red Dice."

December 11-12—Star Theatre; "A Hero On Horseback."

December 11-13—Queen's Theatre; "We're In The Navy Now."

December 13-14—World Theatre; "Sea Horses."

December 13-14—Star Theatre; "Hogan's Alley.

December 13—Organ Recital by Mr. F. Mason in St. John's Cathedral, 5.45 p.m.

December 14-17—Queen's Theatre; "The Four Horsemen of Apocalypse."

December 15—Helena May Institute Concert, 5.30 p.m.

December 15-17—World Theatre; "Beware of Widows."

December 15-17—Star Theatre; "It's The Old Army Game."

December 24—Dinner dance at King Edward Hotel, 8.30 to midnight.

December 31—New Year's Eve dance at King Edward Hotel, from 8.30 to midnight.

Sports.

December 10—Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association: open singles championship, Kowloon Cricket Club Bowling Green, 3 p.m.

December 11—Fifth Extra Race Meeting of the International Race & Recreation Club of Macao, Ltd.

Lammerts' Auctions.

December 9—The whole stock-in-trade, furniture, fixtures, etc., of Wing Fat Cheong Firm in Bankruptcy, 59, Queen's Road, Central.

December 9—A selection of ladies' knitted costumes, dress materials, ladies' shoes and bead bags, etc., at Sales Room, Duddell St., 11 a.m.

December 9—A valuable collection of stamps, at Sales Room, Duddell St., 5.15 p.m.

Meetings.

To-day — Second confirmatory meeting of Shareholders of Prince's Building & Land Co., Ltd., at Prince's Building, 4.15 p.m.

December 21—General meeting of the Industrial & Commercial Bank, Ltd., York Bldg., 2 p.m.

December 22—Ninth yearly meeting of the China Light & Power Co., (1918), Ltd., St. George's Bldg., Chater Rd., noon.

December 22—Sergeant's Mess Meeting, Volunteer Headquarters, 6 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

December 9—Postponed lecture on "Gas, its distribution and uses" by Mr. Harvey at Engineers' & Shipbuilders' Institute, 5.45 p.m.

December 11—Social Gathering in St. John's Cathedral Hall, 6 p.m.

December 12—St. Stephen's College begins new school year.

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A Chinese building contractor appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on charges of deviating from the approved plan in the erection of a building in Portland Street and with failing to comply with a Magistrate's order made last September when he was fined $50 and ordered to demolish the work within seven days.

Mr. Neville, of the P.W.D., told the Court that work on the building had been stopped and nothing had been done to comply with the order. Defendant had called at the office and pleaded that poverty prevented him putting the work in hand.

Defendant, who pleaded guilty to the charges, was fined $25 on the first count and $75 on the second. Remarking that business was slack, defendant asked for time to pay the fine. His Worship allowed him time until the afternoon to pay the first fine but said he could pay the other later. The alternative would be two weeks' hard labour on the first count and six weeks on the other.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL, SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. W. Schofield yesterday committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions a Chinese who was charged with throwing vitriol on a Chinese girl in a brothel in Temple Street, Yaumati.

Summoned by Sergeant Kelly before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday for allowing her dog to be abroad without a muzzle, Miss Rose Wong, No. 4 Robinson Road, was fined $4.

A collision occurred at Sheungshui at 5.40 p.m., yesterday between a military lorry and a public lorry, resulting in the latter vehicle, which was the lighter of the two, being badly damaged.

The Shanghai "Zarya" has it that 13,000 persons have signed the petition advocating the removal of the Soviet Consulate, and, also, that the str. "Indigirka" is arriving from the North with 200 alleged Soviets on board.

The wedding of Miss Esther Mary Kotewall, the daughter of the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewell, C.M.G., and Mrs. Kotewall, and Mr. Shiu Kai-lee will take place on Wednesday, December 21. Following the marriage ceremony a reception will be held at Hatton House, 57 Conduit Road.

A 16-year-old Chinese youth living at No. 400, Des Vœux Road West, was this morning removed to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from injuries to his hand and body received through some sacks of Chinese medicine stacked up near his bed falling on him whilst he was asleep at 3 a.m.

The case against the Chinese who was charged with being concerned in the armed robbery at the Wing Lee Company, No. 52, Ko Shing Street, on November 26, was continued at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon. After hearing evidence Mr. Lindsell committed the man for trial at the Sessions.

Antwerp, Nov. 13.—King Albert attended to-day a great function to mark the inception scheme for the improvement of the port of Antwerp. Under the scheme the Government granted the City 7,500 acres for new wharfage, docks, roads, and railways while Antwerp's hinterland connection will be improved by a great inland waterway scheme.

A Chinese was yesterday removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital suffering from cuts to his head, arms and legs which were caused when he was knocked down by a motor cycle at Lungkwattao. The number of the motor cycle has not been ascertained, as the driver failed to stop after the accident, and has not since made a report of the accident to the Police.

Shanghai vernacular papers published a report stating that the Shanghai Chinese General Chamber of Commerce had sent a telegram to the Nanking authorities, the provincial authorities and various branches of the Kuomintang in the provinces, protesting against the dissolution of all Chambers of Commerce, as has been suggested by various persons at Hankow and Hangchow.

Shanghai, Dec. 1.— American Minister John V. A. MacMurray, now on his way back from Washington to Peking, who sailed from Yokohama for Kobe the day before yesterday, is leaving the "President Pierce" at Kobe and proceeding direct to Peking by rail and ferry, instead of coming through Shanghai, it was learned yesterday. Mr. MacMurray will visit Shanghai, however, in about two weeks' time.

Special Constable Ivanoff, accompanied by another special constable in plain clothes, was wounded in the stomach on December 1 when atempting to stop a suspicious-looking Chinese who was running along Tsungming Road in their direction. The Chinese opened fire point-blank at Ivanoff, and then ran on to North Honan Road Bridge, where four specials, who were on duty, fired at him but without effect.

Canon Douglas-Hamilton and the Rev. Lancelot Cole officiated at the wedding, on Oct. 27, at St. Mary Abbott's, Kensington, of Mr. Dudley Claud Douglas Ryder, only son of the late Captain Cyril Ryder and of Lady Isobel Ryder, of Little Hayes, Burley, Hants, with Nancy Edith, daughter of Mr. E. M. Baker, late Federated Malay States Civil Service, and Mrs. Baker, of Church House, Dawlish, Devon. Lord George Douglas-Hamilton was best man.

A student of the Anglo-Chinese School at Klang, F.M.S., Ralph Arden Mitchell, has received honourable mention for his essay in Class B of the 1927 essay competition of the Royal Colonial Institute. The subject given was "Trace the development of the British Empire in Malaya," and the first prize, a bronze medal and books, went to Cyril John Thompson, of Battersea Grammar School, St. John's Hill, S.W. Class A subject was "The importance of Research in Tropical Diseases affecting Men, Animals and Plants within the Empire," and the winner of the silver medal and books was Arthur Robert Winnett, Wandsworth Secondary School, S.W.

One Portuguese case of diphtheria was reported from the Kowloon district on Tuesday.

H.M.S. "Ambrose" ships' company are holding a fancy dress carnival dance at Messrs. Lane, Crawford's Restaurant this evening.

Owing to Mr. R. G. Macdonald's departure for Home, Mr. W. H. Trenchard Davis has been appointed Chairman of the Shanghai Club Committee, and Mr. A. Gray, Vice-Chairman.

The forthing wedding is announced of Mr. Leonard Cave, of the staff of Messrs. Mustard & Co., residing at 21, Humphrey's Building, Kowloon, to Miss Georgina May Hughes, of the staff of Messrs. Loxley & Co., residing at 7, Humphrey's Building, Kowloon.

Russian reports received in Shanghai state that owing to protest lodged by the German Consul at Harbin, the showing of the American motion picture, "The Big Parade," a war drama with settings in France and the U.S.A., has been prohibited by the Chinese authorities. It is understood that the American Consul at Harbin is arranging a private showing of the film for the benefit of the Chinese authorities and members of the consular body there with a view to obtaining action on his protest against the ban.

Princess Giovanna, third daughter of King Victor Emmanuel of Italy, who, according to some reports, is to marry King Boris, of Bulgaria. King Boris has been in Italy incognito for some time and recently has had an audience with the Pope, presumably to overcome religious obstacles, since he is of the Eastern Orthodox Church and Princess Giovanna of the Roman Catholic Church. This is a recent picture of the Princess, having been taken at one of the recent state functions.

Increases of municipal taxes in areas under the control of the Municipality of Greater Shanghai were announced recently by the revenue department of the Chinese municipal institution the increases to date back to October 1, to be collectable quarterly in advance, and to vary with locations. Residence in native territory will be taxed from two to six per cent. of their rent, shops from five to 10 per cent. Shops on the Nantao Bund will pay between six and 12 per cent. All taxes will be assessed quarterly, thus doing away with the monthly collection system.

With the customary ceremonial and in the presence of a large congregation in Canterbury Cathedral three Bishops were consecrated on Nov. 1—the Rev. G. J. Walsh, for many years a missionary in Japan, as Bishop in Hokkaido, being one of them. The Archbishop of Canterbury was assisted by the Bishops of Newcastle, Southwark, Limerick and Adelaide, Bishop A. M. Knight, Bishop Foss (formerly Bishop of Osaka), Bishop Eyre Chatterton, and Dr. Ernest Frithwf Lonegren, Bishop of Harnosand, Sweden. Canon B. K. Cunningham, pricipal of Westcott House, Cambridge, preached the sermon.

Peking, Nov. 29—As regards the joint suppression of pirates in South China by the Five Powers' navies, which has been proposed by the British Legation taking advantage of Sir Cecil Clementi's visit to Peking, it is generally observed that the Powers concerned are in favour of the British proposition. The question now is to make concrete measures. There seems to still exist difficulties among the Powers concerned, and they are said to be carefully investigating measures how to meet all the circumstances which might arise out of such general suppression. Ministers of the Five Powers to-day met at the official residence of the Japanese Minister.

The striking printers of the Japanese establishments in Shanghai will receive a 10 per cent. increase, will have a working day of 8½ hours, and will have a one-hour tiffin interval.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, Mr. W. Schofield imposed a fine of $20 on the master of a rice shop in Bowring Street, Yaumati, for using a measure which was 3.4 per cent against the buyer.

A social gathering will be held in the Cathedral Hall, on Sunday next, after Evensong at about 7 p.m. A cordial welcome will be extended to all Service men and others. There will be music and light refreshments.

Vienna, November 25.—Negotiations have been successfully concluded between the financial representative of the City of Vienna and the National City Bank of New York for the raising of a $30,000,000 loan, for 25 years at 6 per cent., for the development of municipal undertakings.

Shanghai merchants have sent telegrams to Nanking opposing the proposal of the Nationalist authorities to raise money by establishing opium monopolies. They point out the harm that has been done to China through opium in past years and say that, instead of establishing such monopolies, steps should be taken to suppress the traffic.

There will be an extraordinary general meeting of the Prince's Building and Land Co., Ltd., this afternoon, at 4.15, for the purpose of confirming the resolution recently passed voluntarily to wind up the Company in view of the sale of Prince's Building for $3,000,000 cash to the Hong Kong Land Investment Co., Ltd.

Passengers departing yesterday by s.s. "Empress of Canada" for Europe via ports, included Captain A. Abraham, Mr. R. C. Baldwin, Captain E. I. M. Barrett, Mr. C. Champkin, Mr. J. Coulthart, Captain C. Fogg, Captain J. H. Jahnsen, Mr. J. B. Logan, Mrs. L. Maurin, the Hon. and Mrs. W. T. Southorn, Dr. J. M. Tutt and Major Hurford Tutlow.

The 12th Batt. of the Royal Marines left Shanghai for Home by the P. and O. s.s. "Mantua" yesterday. The Marines had a hearty send-off. They left England last January, and were the first defence troops to arrive, completing the voyage in thirty days. With the exception of one detached company at Nanking they have been on guard duty in the Pootung district.

Osaka, Nov. 22.—Mr. Hamaguchi, the leader of the opposition party in the diet, in a long speech, attacked the government for alleged incompetence in dealing with the economic situation especially in connection with the bank crisis and also with regard to China. He emphasised the necessity for financial retrenchment and immediate legislation to alleviate class strife and industrial disputes.

Tokyo, Nov. 30.—According to an official telegram received by the Foreign Office from Mr. Matsudaira, Japanese Ambassador in Washington, the State Department of the United States yesterday made a statement to the effect that inasmuch as the loan by American bankers to the South Manchuria Railway Company is a private transaction, there are no reasons for the State Department to oppose it.

Washington—Rear-Admiral T. P. Magruder, commander of the Fourth Naval District and commandant of the Philadelphia Navy Yard, has been relieved of his post and ordered to report to Mr. Wilbur, Secretary of the Navy. The action of the Secretary of the Navy is stated to have been taken as the result of a series of magazine articles written by the rear-admiral in which he criticised the administration of the Navy Department.

Miss Maude Royden is leaving Home at the end of the year for a tour around the world. When this trip was planned she hoped to spend some months in China, addressing herself more especially to the students, but under present unsettled conditions, she may not see more of China than Hong Kong. She will spend some weeks in Japan, where she is far more anxious to listen and study conditions than to address any meetings. During her absence a panel of preachers will take the evening services at the Guildhouse.

The Pope consecrated Mgr. Januarius Hayasaka as Bishop of Nagasaki on October 30. Mgr. Hayasaka is the first priest of Japanese nationality to be raised to the episcopate, and the fact that he received consecration from the hands of the Pope himself, as also did the first Chinese Bishop, is proof of the importance which is attached to the policy recently adopted by the Holy See of placing the control of Catholic interest in the Far East increasingly in native hands. The consecration took place in the Basilica of St. Peter's in presence of a large number of Cardinals and Bishops and the entire Japanese colony in Rome, including the staff of the Japanese Embassy accredited to the Quirinal.

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Almost unparalleled in the annals of crime in the Colony was an encounter between the Police and an armed robber gang in the early hours of Wednesday morning. After committing a robbery in a restaurant the gang were stopped by a Police picket but they immediately opened fire, shooting a European lance-sergeant. A running fight then ensued, resulting in a Police searcher being killed and Chinese and Indian constables being injured. The casualties among the robbers were one killed, one wounded, and one arrested. One man only got clear.

Another sensational incident during the week, fully reported in the "Overland China Mail," was the attack on the British steamer "Siangtan" on the Yangtsze and the capture of Captain Lalor, who was held for ransom.

Affairs in Kwangtung have again claimed considerable attention, the various developments being explained in various explanatory foot-notes by a specialist in Chinese politics.

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SPORTS

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PHIL SCOTT PRAISED BY HIS MANAGER.

"100 PER CENT. BETTER."

London, Yesterday.

Phil Scott (the British heavyweight boxer), whom his manager claims to be a hundred per cent. better than when he landed in America, fights Johnny Risko the Cleveland Baker) in a ten round bout on December 8.—Reuter.

Phil Scott has had a varied career, being more of a boxer than a fighter.

On November 5, he was knocked out in one round by Knute Hansen (a Danish heavyweight who is known in Shanghai and slightly in Hong Kong), the bout being one of an eliminating series to decide the right to challenge Gene Tunney for the world's championship. Although lasting only two minutes, the fight was sensational.

Then on November 29, Scott defeated Munn, an American boxer, knocking him out eight seconds before the conclusion of a ten round bout.

Scott Outpointed.

Cleveland, Yesterday.

Risko outpointed Scott.—Reuter's American Service.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

TAIKOO DEFEATED BY H.M.S. "ARGUS."

A friendly rifle match took place on the Taikoo Rifle Range on Sunday forenoon, between the Taikoo Rifle Club and a team from H.M.S. "Argus."

The result was a win for H.M.S. "Argus" the scores being as under:—

H.M.S. "Argus."

Mr. Barber	98
Corpl. Willott	89
Mne. Reeves	86
F. L. Hope	81
Ldg. Tel. Wilkins	80
Sergt. Hook	74
P.O. Carl	71
Mr. Nash	71
Total	650

Taikoo Rifle Club.

Mr. Summers	93
Mr. Walmsley	83
Mr. Wallace	82
Mr. Eldridge	77
Mr. Grimshaw	74
Mr. MacIndoe	73
Mr. Maxwell	71
Mr. Rose	68
Total	621

HOCKEY.

HONG KONG UNIVERSITY v. PUNJABIS II.

This game takes place on Monday, at 5 p.m. on the University ground.

University:—Messrs. P. L. Tan, A. A. Rumjahn, M. B. Osman, G. S. Scully, K. T. Loke (capt.), Y. C. Teh, P. C. Lim, K. P. Gan, C. K. Ong, C. W. Lam and J. W. Barnes.

Civil Service Teams.

Civil Service C.C. teams for Saturday next are:

1st Eleven v. Craigengower C.C. (League): G. R. Sayer (Capt.), A. E. Wood, F. J. de Rome, E. B. Reed, B. D. Evans, E. W. Hamilton, F. J. Ling, B. C. Hawkins, H. E. Strange, A. R. Sutherland, F. H. Holdman.

2nd Eleven v. Royal Engineers C.C. (League): H. F. Harper (Capt.), R. S. W. Paterson, R. R. Davies, R. C. Robertson, W. H. Edmonds, C. Sara, W. F. J. Gorvin, F. H. W. Haynes, P. J. O'Neill, A. W. Grimmitt, V. H. Chittenden.

BILLIARDS.

COMPETITIONS AT THE Y.M.C.A.

The following are the results of recent billiards competitions held at the European Y.M.C.A. The prizes were distributed yesterday to the winners by Mr. J. H. Hunt, the popular secretary of the Y.M.C.A.

Handicap.

1.—A. Leach (12 Dunlop golf balls).
2.—F. Cowherd (silver cigarette stand).

Flying Handicap.

R. W. Satsed (billiard cue case).

Best Break for October.

Table 1.—A. Leach: 48.
Table 2.—W. Taylor: 43.

Best Break For November.

Table 1.—T. Richards: 46.
Table 2.—A. Leach: 38.

CRICKET.

HONG KONG ELECTRIC R.C. v. INDIAN R.C. "B."

The game takes place on the I.R.C. ground on Saturday.

H.K. Electric R.C.:—H. F. Akehurst, S. Deacon, L. de Rome, C. E. Gahagan, H. S. Jones, J. F. Lunny, W. N. H. Murdoch, W. B. Muskett, R. W. Smith, S. J. Stanesby, and J. R. Way (captain). Reserve: S. J. Clarke.

D. B. S.

ANNUAL SCHOOL HOUSE SPORTS.

LIST OF RESULTS.

On Friday last the Diocesan Boys' School held their House Sports on the School ground behind the temporary premises in Nathan Road.

The School is divided for the sake of games into four houses, each of which conducted its own sports independently of the others later in this term. The four houses will compete against each other in Inter-House Sports. In accordance with the custom of the Diocesan Boys' School no prizes were awarded. While possibly no records were broken, a satisfactory feature was the large proportion of boys who entered for at least one event; altogether no fewer than 54 boys obtained places, first, second, or third.

All the necessary work; secretarial, starting, judging, etc., was done by the senior boys, each house having elected a committee of seven. The results were as follows:—

Senior.

Yellow — 100 Yards — Leung Cheuk-kau 1; Ma Chiu-chong 2; W. Kow 3. 440 yards—Ma Chiu-chong 1; Leung Cheuk-kau 2; Shu Sung-pok 3. 1 Mile—J. Channings 1; B. Chan 2; J. Willis 3. Long Jump—Pong Pun-fong, 16ft. 5ins. 1; Leung Cheuk-kau 2; W. Kew 3. High Jump—Leung Cheuk-kau, 4ft. 8ins. 1; Ma Chiu-chong 2; Cheong King-sang and Shu Sung-pok 3.

Blue—100 Yards—Chow Hon-shu 1; S. Christie 2; J. Shaw 3. 440 Yards—J. Shaw 1; Chow Hon-shu 2. Long Jump—S. Christie, 16ft. 4ins. 1; D. Anderson 2; J. Shaw 3. High Jump—D. Anderson, 4ft. 6ins. 1; S. Christie 2; J. Shaw 3.

Brown—100 Yards—B. Wong 1; A. Lee 2. 440 Yards—R. Kavarana 1; Chan Tsan-sheung 2. Long Jump—A. Lee, 16ft. 11ins. 1; B. Wong 2; Cheng Kam-to 3. High Jump—Kan Po-chi, 4ft. 7ins. 1; B. Wong 2.

Green—100 Yards—Kan Yuet-hing 1; F. Zimmern 2; Wong Chong-fui 3. 440 Yards—Kam Yuet-ming 1; O. Taudien 2; G. Winch 3. 1 Mile—G. White 1; Wong Wai-sum 2; G. Kotwall 3. Long Jump—H. Jackson, 15ft 10ins. 1; Kan Yuet-ming 2; Wong Kam-pui 3. High Jump—M. Jackson, 4ft. 9ins. 1; Kan Yuet-ning and Lam Sum.

Junior.

Yellow—100 Yards—Chong Chee 1; Chan Ip-ting 2; Kaan Sze-chin 3. 220 Yards—Chan Ip-ting 1; Wong Man-leung 2; M. Broadbridge 3. ½ Mile—Woo Yee-mo 1; Wong Man-leung 2; N. Broadbridge 3. Long Jump—Cheng Chee 14ft. 9ins. 1; Kaan Sze-chiu 2; F. Martin 3. High Jump—Cheng Chee, 4ft. 3ins. 1; Chan Ip-ting 2; F. Martin 3.

Black—100 Yards—A. Hunt 1; K. Kavarana 2; H. L. Pau 3. 220 Yards—A. Hunt 1; Cheong Kwong-hin 2; Wong Kam-yim 3. ½ Mile—A. Hunt 1; V. White 2; G. Glover 3. Long Jump—Wong Kam-yim, 12ft. 4ins. 1; Cheng Kwong-hin 2; G. T. Lee 3. High Jump—Cheng Kwong-hin, 3ft. 7ins. 1; Wong Kam-yim 2.

Brown—100 Yards—B. Wong 1; S. Broadbridge 2. 220 Yards—R. Reed 1; C. Spradbury 2. Long Jump—B. Wong, 16ft. 8ins. 1; C. Spradbury 2; S. Broadbridge 3. High Jump—B. Wong, 3ft. 8ins. 1; Wong Kam-koo 2.

Green—100 Yards—A. Crawford 1; Wong Sik-hon 2; F. Smith 3. 220 Yards—A. Crawford 1; Wong Sik-hon 2; F. Smith 3. ½ Mile—A. Crawford 1; Wong Sik-hon 2; A. Prata 3. Long Jump—A. Crawford, 13ft. 4ins. 1; Wong Sik-hon 2; J. Winch 3. High Jump—A. Crawford, 3ft. 9ins. Wong Sik-hon 2; J. Winch 3.

House Football and Tennis.

The Inter-House football and tennis matches were concluded last week, Yellow House in each case being the winners. In football they had the splendid record of 12-0 against Blue, 7-0 against Brown, 7-0, against Green and 5-0 against a combined team from these three houses.

In tennis teams of four competed. Yellow House beat Blue House by 37 games to 7, Green house by 31 games to 13, and Brown House by 34 games to 10.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

Date. December	Sunrise. a.m.	Sunset. p.m.
" 8	6.51	5.39
" 9	6.51	5.39
" 10	6.52	5.39
" 11	6.52	5.40
" 12	6.53	5.40
" 13	6.54	5.40
" 14	6.54	5.41
" 15	6.55	5.41
" 16	6.55	5.41
" 17	6.56	5.42
" 18	6.56	5.42
" 19	6.57	5.43
" 20	6.58	5.43
" 21	6.58	5.44
" 22	6.59	5.44
" 23	6.59	5.44
" 24	7.00	5.45
" 25	7.00	5.46
" 26	7.00	5.46
" 27	7.01	5.47
" 28	7.01	5.47
" 29	7.02	5.48
" 30	7.02	5.48
" 31	7.03	5.49

OPIUM CONVENTION.

GERMAN EXPERT WANTED ON BOARD.

AN ITALIAN SUGGESTION.

Geneva, Yesterday.

Before the League Council, in a discussion on the report of the Opium Committee, Dr. Stresemann declared that Germany would not ratify the Geneva Opium Convention of 1925 until a German expert had been elected a member of the Central Board.

Sig. Scialoja indicated that Italy would ratify the convention if the Social and Humanitarian Section of the League Secretariat carried out the secretarial work of the Central Board.

Mr. Adatchi declared that he was willing to accept the Italian proposal if it would secure ratification of the Convention.

On the motion of Mr. Adaichi the Council decided to invite the League Committee to examine the Italian suggestion.—Reuter.

DEFENCE FORCES.

SHANGHAI'S EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE.

A CHRISTMAS FUND.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

A striking expression of gratitude by the nationals of 13 countries not represented militarily in Shanghai, including Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Holland, Switzerland and Spain, for what the Defence Forces of land and sea here has meant for them, is contained in an announcement by a representative committee of a fund that is being organised: "To make Christmas spent so far from their homes and loved ones a happy one for the men for whose endeavours on our behalf this fund will create a long-waited opportunity to show our appreciation and thankfulness."—Reuter.

BLOODY CONFLICTS.

DEMONSTRATIONS IN HUNGARY.

ONE PERSON KILLED.

Budapest, Yesterday.

The police, reinforced by gendarmerie and cavalry have at length quelled the bloody conflicts in the Hungarian town of Nagyvarad now annexed to Roumania, where thousands of students from Jessy and Transylvania attended a congress.

The students began demonstrations against the Jews and eventually against the Magyars. They attacked and wrecked the residence of the Chief Rabbi, several newspaper offices, and the Catholic Union Society's offices.

Up to now, it is known that one person was killed and many seriously injured.—Reuter.

GENERAL SUTTON.

CHINA'S WARFARE "NOT COMIC OPERA."

London, Yesterday.

General Sutton who, during the last few years was on Marshal Chang Tso-lin's staff, has arrived in London after an absence from England of eight years.

Interviewed by Reuter, he said that it was quite wrong to regard the fighting in China as a sort of comic opera warfare. He declared that he left China because he wanted a change. He had been given a "nice little present" by Marshal Chang Tso-lin. It is understood that this was £10,000.

General Sutton is trying to interest British capitalists in a scheme of railway development in British Columbia.—Reuter.

DEADLY VOLCANO.

TONS OF EARTH DUMPED IN CRATER.

Managua, Yesterday.

With the idea of permanently extinguishing the Santiago volcano, whose poisonous fumes have ruined a quarter of Nicaragua's coffee crop for years, German engineers dumped thousands of tons of earth into the crater, with the result that the burning sulphur bed has apparently been extinguished.—Reuter's American Service.

Safety experts in Chicago estimate that we have twenty-five thousand deaths a year from accidents in the home. In spite of this appalling record, foolhardy people still persist in loitering about the perilous place, and even children are sometimes found there.—The New Yorker.

BOTTOMLEY.

CAN HE STAGE A "COME-BACK."

PSYCHO-ANALYTIC STUDY.

[By "Mindmender."]

(The writer of this article is an eminent London Mental Specialist).

That Horatio Bottomley wants to come back—that he has a day-dream of producing a second "John Bull"—is evident from the tone of the articles he has been contributing to "London's Weekly Despatch" since he was released from Maidstone Jail on July 28.

Horatio Bottomley was formerly a prominent figure in public life—as founder and Editor of "John Bull," as a politician, as a patriotic lecturer during the war, as a sportsman, as a ready champion of the "under dog." His trial and conviction for the misappropriation of funds entrusted to him was a nine days' wonder seven years ago. Now that he has regained his freedom, he has declared his determination to fight his way back to fame and fortune. Can he do it?

I do not think so. He may have retained his courage, his astuteness in legal controversy, his great oratorical gifts; he may not be too old for another effort, and his once great self-confidence and assurance may not have deserted him; but his former success was due to the emotional appeal he was able to make to a considerable public, and in the nature of things he cannot repeat that appeal. And he is possibly incapable of making any other.

Like many men short of stature, he had a great thirst for power. Other factors contributed to his belief that he was looked down upon by his fellows—a situation utterly intolerable to him. So he devoted his great energy, and great abilities whole-heartedly to the task of asserting his personal superiority—he would beat the lawyers at law, the politicians at politics, the sportsmen at sport, the philanthropists in philanthropy, the patriots in patriotism, the money-makers in money-making. In other words, he suffered from an "inferiority complex," over which he triumphed by successfully asserting his superiority. Most of us have some trace of an inferiority complex, and if we grudge recognition of the greatness of Bottomley's many-sided achievements, it is probably in part due to our envy of his greater success than ours.

Emotional Success Cannot Be Repeated.

And that is why such successes cannot be repeated. The emotion of envy is of great antiquity. If you keep more than one dog, you have probably had opportunities of seeing it in action in a simple form. It exists in our social life to-day very little changed from the form into which it was moulded in the days when the social unit was the patriarchal family, consisting of the Head with his wife or wives, his children, his grand-children, and perhaps his great-grand-children. The word of the father of the family was law, even to the death sentence.

But if the rule of the father was intolerably oppressive—if his sons as boys were made to feel at every turn their inferiority to him in physical strength, and as grown men their inferiority in knowledge and possessions and power of command—a party of malcontents rife for rebellion was formed within the family.

The Leader of a "Domestic" Revolt.

The modern world which is Horatio Bottomley's environment is much more complex than that of a simple patriarchal society; but the basic emotions which determine our interactions with our fellows have not altered materially within the span of human history. The twentieth century found many men ready to protest against the petty tyrannies of those in power.

Bottomley was the leader of a "domestic" revolt. He was not content to take society as he found it, and to submit dutifully to the authoritative commands of laws and conventions, until such time as the slowly-turning wheels of circumstances might—or might not—raise him to prominence and power. He was not content to serve in the ranks of a "progressive" movement under somebody else's leadership; he must at all costs be the leader of the revolt. Well, he was. It is open to question whether he is better described as a rebel who defied the law and was beaten by it, or as the successful leader of an attack upon roguery in high places, who was in his turn attacked as a successful rogue. But in either case he cannot repeat his effort. The most benign wielders of power known to history have been worshipped after death, but would not have been welcomed by those who had filled their place if they had returned to life. Bottomley is not forgotten, and has a small place among the famous men of his age. But he will not "come back."

His Need of Great Machines.

Apart from these psychological considerations, there are other obstacles in the way of another journalistic success like "John Bull." A new "John Bull," with a million or so of circulation, would need to find a printer, and it would have to be one of the "Big Five" printers who own or control those gigantic presses (and associated equipment for nation-wide distribution), which are also capable of handling such a circulation between, say, Tuesday's noon and Wednesday's breakfast. The old "John Bull," now controlled by a woman Quaker, virtually monopolises one of these big printing establishments. It is very unlikely that the controllers of the other big printeries—Lord Rothermere of the "Daily Mail," Lord Riddell of the "News of the World," Lord Beaverbrook of the "Daily Express," or Lord Buckland, head of the Berry Brothers—would speculate in the bold way that Bottomley's genius and courage would demand.

Meanwhile, it is an open secret in Fleet Street that Bottomley has been receiving £600 each for his articles in the "Weekly Despatch."

ITS QUALITY
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SACRED TAKIN.

THE ZOO'S RAREST ANIMAL.

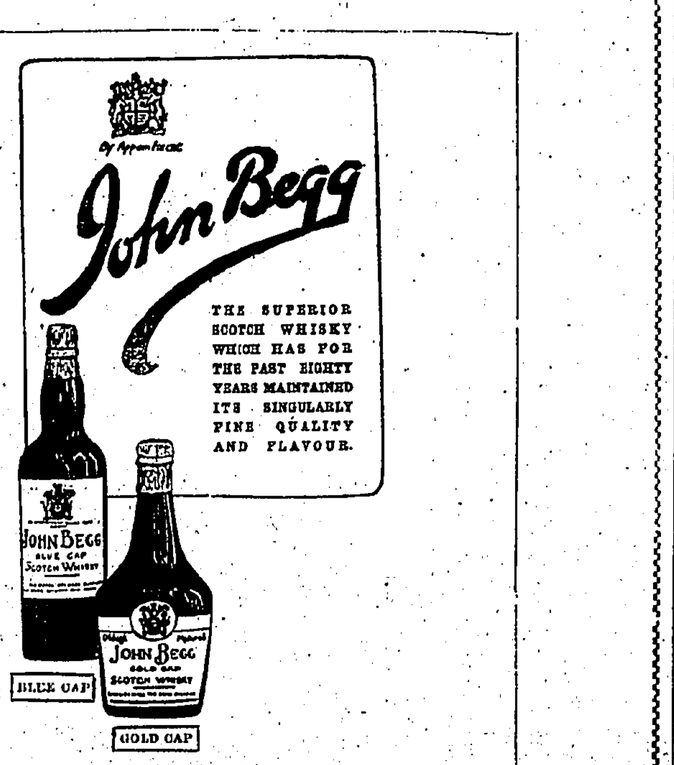
Probably the rarest mammal in the London Zoo is the Takin, a curious, clumsy-looking half-cow, half-goat creature, which came from the almost inaccessible mountains of Eastern Tibet and Bhutan.

No other Zoo has ever had a specimen of this interesting animal, and it is extremely unlikely that another will ever be brought out of Tibet alive as it is regarded as sacred by the Tibetans, and it has been decreed that anyone shooting or catching one shall have both hands cut off. The first living example to reach the Zoo was a young male, presented to the Society in 1909 by the late Mr. Claude White, which lived in the Gardens for ten years. The present specimen is a female, presented by Major F. M. Bailey, the British Resident at Sikkim, in 1923. One man was killed and several injured in obtaining this animal, which together with another young female, was caught on a precipitous mountain after being separated from the rest of a big herd. The other female was destined for the Edinburgh Zoo, but died on its arrival in this country. The present takin leads a lonely existence in a yard near the Camel House. She is rather neglected by visitors, partly because of her uncouth appearance and party on account of her particularly pungent musky odour.

GROWING LONDON.

Two towns, each the size of Exeter, with 60,000 inhabitants, have sprung up inside London, to the north and the south of the Thames, within a year, according to the Metropolitan Water Board, which estimates London's population now as 7,166,000.

Tunney says his name is pronounced to rime with funny. Ah, yes, and funny rimes with money. We have it now!—Philadelphia Inquirer.



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On Berlin—	
On demand	——
On New York—	
On demand	49⅝
Credits 60 days' sight	51¼
On Bombay—	
Wire	——
On demand	134¾
On Calcutta—	
Wire	——
On demand	134¾
On Singapore—	
On demand	87
On Manila—	
On demand	par
On Shanghai—	
On demand	nom.
30 day's sight (private paper)	——
On Yokohama—	
On demand	107¾
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael)	——
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	9.50
Silver (per oz)	26¾
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	2% prem.
Chinese Copper Cash	nom.
Chinese Copper Cents	6% prem.
Rate of Native Interest	7%p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin	29% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin	par.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, Yesterday.

Paris	124
New York	4.83 3/32
Brussels	34.90
Geneva	25.29
Amsterdam	12.07
Milan	90.00
Berlin	20.44
Stockholm	18.08
Copenhagen	18.20
Oslo	18.34½
Vienna	34.62½
Prague	164½
Helsingfors	193¾
Madrid	29.60
Lisbon	2 7/16
Athens	367½
Bucharest	790
Rio	5 29/32
Buenos Aires	47 7/8
Bombay	1/6 1/16
Shanghai	2/7¼
Hong Kong	2/0 3/8
Yokohama	1/10½
Silver Spot	26¼
Silver Forward	26½

—British Wireless Service.

THE SHARE MARKET.

Stock.	Hong Kong Stock Exchange.	
T.T. on London	2/- %	
T.T. on Shanghai	78⅝	
Banks.		
Hongkong Bank	$1140	b
do. Lon. Reg.	£121	n
Chartered Bank	$21¼	b
Mercantile A. & B.	$31	n
do. C.	$13¾	n
P. & O. Bank	£10	n
Bank of East Asia	$62	n
Insurances.		
Canton Insurance	$555	b
Union Insurance	$293	b
North China Insurance	T143	n
Yangtze Insurance	M.$46½	b
China Underwriters	$1.20	s
China Fire Insurance	$215	n
H.K. Fire Insurance	$635	b
Shipping.		
Douglases	$33¼	b
H.K. Steamboats	$20	n
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	$1.70	n
Indo-Chinas (Pref)	$30	n
do. (Def.)	$48	n
Shell Transports	90/-	n
Water-boats	$17	n
Mining.		
Benguets	2¼	n
Kailan Mining Ad.	68/-	s
Langkats (Combined).	T18¾	b
do. (Single)	T10	b
Shanghai Explorations	T2¾ b 2.90 s	
Shanghai Loans	T6.05	b
Raubs	$3¾	b
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GREVILLE DIARY EXTRACTS.

The Greville Diary is not new. The edition now under discussion, published by Doubleday Page and Co., of New York, is interesting because many suppressions made on behalf of highly-placed folk then alive are now added, and the full venom, or accuracy—the reader may take his choice—of the diarist is discovered.

The author certainly was in the position to know things, being in constant and personal touch with the folk whose doings he set down in this work—a work presumably no more intended for contemporary publication than that of the still greater diarist Pepys, and this being so, there is a certain assumption of his good faith.

The most interesting portions of the diary are, of course, those which deal with Queen Victoria, whom he apparently did not like, and who certainly was not fond of him. We get a petty little gossip incident like this:—

Trapping Jeams.

The Prince Consort and Queen . . . had suspected a certain footman of giving information to the newspapers, and they laid a trap to discover if their suspicions were correct. At dinner, when this man was waiting, they said they had no idea of going, and the next day they found this project announced in a paper. So then they were sure of the culprit, and dismissed him. Nothing could be more ridiculous.

It hardly measures up to one's idea of Kingly and Queenly dignity, but it is splendidly natural. It was natural, too, that the "horror of Queen Victoria surpassed the resources of language" at the edition, expurgated, as it was, which stirred England in 1874; "a scurrilous journal," she called it—"very offensive and disloyal towards the Sovereigns he served."

Greville, of course, wrote as a very great patrician of an ancient line of folk whom he regarded as a little bourgeois. "King William IV.," he writes, "if he had been born in a private station would have passed through life unobserved like millions of other men, looked upon as possessing a good-natured and affectionate disposition, but without either elevation of mind or brightness of intellect.... He resided at Bushey with Mrs. Jordan, and brought up his many children with very tender affection; with them and for them, he seemed entirely to live. The cause of his separation from Mrs. Jordan has not been explained, but it probably arose from his desire to better his condition by a good marriage, and he wanted to marry Miss Wykeham, a half-crazy woman of large fortune on whom he afterwards conferred a peerage."

Kindly to William.

"Never," goes on the genial diarist, "was elevation like that of King William IV. His life had been passed in obscurity and neglect, in miserable poverty, surrounded by a numerous progeny of bastards, without consideration of friends, and he was ridiculous from his grotesque ways and little meddling curiosity...."

Princess Victoria was "a short, vulgar-looking child upon her first appearance at a drawing-room."

The tale of how the Queen manœuvred Palmerston's dismissal is full of conviction. And how he hit back. Prince Albert was the whipping boy. The press urged on by Palmerston, gave the "angel husband" a very bad time. The most extraordinary rumours went abroad:—

"It was currently reported in midland and northern counties, and actually stated in a Scottish paper, that Prince Albert had been committed to the Tower, and there were people found credulous and foolish enough to believe it. It only shows how much malignity there is among the masses, which a profligate and impudent mendacity can stir up."

He Knew Women.

Even Queens cannot resist flattery: On August 21, 1855, the diarist tells of the Queen's visit to Paris. "Clarendon says that the Queen was delighted with everything, and especially with the Emperor himself, who, with perfect knowledge of women, had taken the surest way to ingratiate himself with her, by making love to her. This, it seems, he began when he was in England, and followed it up in Paris. As his attentions tickled her vanity without shocking or alarming her modesty, and the novelty of it (for she never had any love made to her before) made it very pleasant, his success was complete. After her visit the Queen talked it all over with Clarendon, and said: 'It is very odd, but the Emperor knows everything I have done and where I have been since I was twelve years old; he even recollects how I was dressed, and a thousand little details it is extraordinary he should be acquainted with.' 'Le Coquin! thought I,' said Clarendon to me. He has evidently been making love to her."

Greville has a good word for the Prince Consort, whom he describes as "very intelligent and highly cultivated," and "with a thoughtful mind."

"The Princess Royal is very clever, strong in body and mind; the Prince of Wales weaker and more timid, and the Queen says he is a stupid boy, but the hereditary and unfailing antipathy of Sovereigns to their Heir Apparent seems this early to be taking root, and the Queen does not much like the child."

But, after all, her severity was only for his good, for we read:—

His Mother's Letter.

"London, November 4, 1858: I hear the Queen has written a letter to the Prince of Wales announcing to him his emancipation from parental authority and control, and that it is one of the most admirable letters she has ever penned. She tells him that he may have thought the rule they adopted for his education was a severe one, but that his welfare was their only object, and well knowing to what seductions of flattery he would eventually be exposed, they wished to prepare and strengthen his mind against them, that he was now to consider himself his own master, and that they would never intrude any advice upon him, though always ready to give it when he thought fit to seek it. It was a very long letter, all in that tone, and it seems to have made a profound impression on the Prince, and to have touched his feelings to the quick. He brought it to Gerald Wellesley in floods of tears, and the effect it produced is a proof of the wisdom which dictated its composition."

And so we commend the diary to those who would read further. It is not all scandal; there are in it an acuteness of observation and an intelligence, and, as a rule, an impartiality which is admirable, and that will make it of great use to the historians of our own time.

In her entertaining book of reminiscences entitled "Joys of Life," "A Woman of No Importance," as the author describes herself, tells a good story of the late Sir John Cowans, of whom Lord Kitchener said that he was "the finest Quartermaster-General this country had ever seen." When stationed at the Rifle Brigade Depot at Winchester, Sir John left all social matters for his wife to attend to, "and she used to tell him when the day arrived what functions he was booked for, be it ball, luncheon, or any such engagement. One day she reminded him that he was going to a ball with her and a party that night. He replied, 'All right,' but did not ask whose party it was, so that when they arrived at the house of the giver of the ball and they were being received by their hostess, an old brother officer of Sir John's came forward expressing pleasure at seeing him again. General Cowans exclaimed. 'Hello, old chap! what are you doing here? Not much in your line is it? I don't mean to stop long.' The look on Lady Cowans' face gave a 'faux pas' of some sort. He had been addressing his host!"

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ARTIST AND MAN—HIS MERITS.

Busy and successful lawyers are not, as a rule, conspicuous for their interest in art. We owe, however, to a distinguished member of the Parliament Bar a recent volume which will occupy a permanent place in the history of painting. The biography of "John Sargent," which has been written by the Hon. Evan Charteris, K.C., discusses with competent knowledge and understanding the professional merits of the most famous of twentieth century portrait painters, and, at the same time, its description of the man himself will appeal to a host of readers who would never think of opening a critical treatise. It contains many entertaining stories of Sargent's sitters, but its outstanding feaure is its revelation of the absorbing devotion of the artist to his art. He was careless about money, he could never be made to understand even the most obvious differences in rank, and he read no newspapers. He had so little appreciation of mundane affairs that when he was painting Sir William Osler he objected to the red of the Oxford gown and seriously proposed that Osler should get a Dublin degree in order to improve the picture. "The war might have been on another planet," says his biographer, "for all the impression it made on his mind." When he was carrying out a commission to paint battle pictures in France, he remarked one day to General Feilding, "I suppose there is no fighting on Sundays."

Sargent's absorption in his work was by no means due to selfishness, for he was extremely kind and generous, and constantly denied himself in order to help his less fortunate competitors. The turning-point in the career of Hellen, the famous dry-point etcher, came when, as a struggling student in the depths of despair about his prospects, he was set on his feet by the practical encouragement given him by Sargent. Mr. Charteris aptly applies to Sargent the words of Degas at the grave of Corot: "The artist will be replaced with difficulty, the man never."

STORIES FROM BOOKS.

The notorious Arthur Orton must have had some sense of humour: "During the Roger Tichborne trial a spinster who was present in court threw a piece of paper at the Claimant, on which was written 'Sinner, repent.' Picking it up, he threw it across to the Judge, saying: 'I think this is intended for Judge Hawkins, and not for me.'" Anther anecdote concerns the late Sir Frank Lockwood, one time Member for York, Solicitor-General, and Recorder for Sheffield: "He was having luncheon one day with a party of men at some hotel or restaurant. One of the individuals at the party proved to be a bore, as he could not speak without bringing in the names of the dukes and big-wigs he had known or said he had known. Presently Sir Frank said: 'Do you know General Stores?' 'Oh, yes,' replied the bore. 'He's a rare good sort.' 'Ah,' said Lockwood, 'he lives over there'—pointing to the other side of the street, where there was a large emporium with a huge board over it bearing the words General Stores.'"

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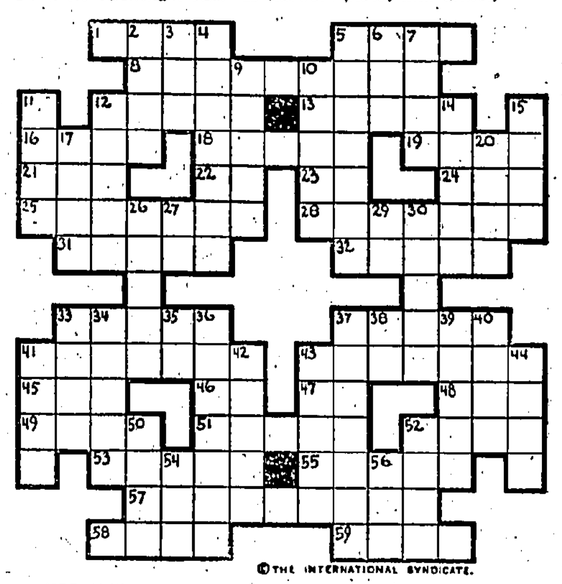
With the redoubtable Nixon, "arguments were begun with every appearance of the strictest method, which, however, under the stress of supervening ideas, each rejected in favour of the next before any had found expression, broke down rather quickly. 'Very well, then, let's go into it thoroughly. Take the case of a man named Forbes—or, no, better, perhaps, take the case of a man named Smith, who says—stay, though, that wouldn't do—No, of course not; I have it. Suppose—I forget, though! no, there again. . . . Well anyhow. . . . such was the exordium, as we thought of it. The combative spirit in him was strong. You asked whether he did not approve some proposal. 'Certainly not! Why, just think (a sharp clearing of the throat to gain time; then, still searching for an objection), what did you say?' The notable reply: 'Yes, a thousand times yes—or rather—No, a thousand times no,' was one of his reported oratorical flights."

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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HORIZONTAL
1–Burn to charcoal
5–State of disorder
8–Infliction of capital punishment
12–View
13–Disturb
16–Bird of prey
18–A sun-dried brick
19–A secretion of the liver
21–Frozen water
22–Nickname for mother
23–Conjunction
24–Elongated fish
25–Race official
28–Cluttered
31–Celestial body (pl.)
32–Encumbers
33–Appendage (pl.)
37–The dough for one baking
41–A kind of fish
43–Covered with water
45–Japanese sash
46–A group of islands in the Atlantic (abbr.)

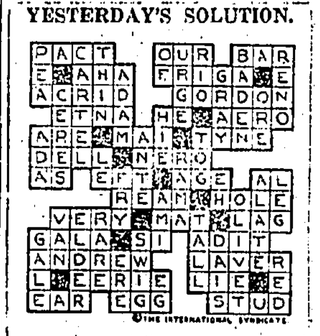
HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
47–Part of verb "to be"
48–Anger
49–One who employs
51–Plots of closely mown grass
52–To yield
53–The lowest possible point
55–Lowers the temperature of
57–Apparatus for making signals
58–Worn on the foot
59–New information

VERTICAL
2–An exclamation (slang)
3–Used for chopping wood
4–Names again
5–One of the kingdoms
6–An age
7–A pretender
9–A kind of tree
10–A small drum
11–That is here present
12–Perspiration
14–To give up

VERTICAL (Cont.)
15–To unite by pressure or fusion
17–Performs
20–Dregs
26–Geometrical term
27–Initials of famous U. S. president
29–Preposition
30–One of the senses
33–Flaps
34–Foreign
35–Measure of weight (abbr.)
36–Magnetic
37–A musical instrument
38–Preposition
39–Weeps
40–A group of cattle
41–Period of time
42–A coronet
43–A crank used as a handle
44–To decide
50–Reckless
52–A ball of yarn
54–Latin form of "God"
56–Metal in its original state

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



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Once Nixon had a spill off the tricycle he habitually rode, and, as a consequence was laid up for several weeks: "When restored to health, he went forth again on the mended tricycle, accompanied by his friend George Chawner, survey the scene of the disaster. 'It was just here,' he said, that it happened. I was merely doing like this. . . 'His recollection was doubtless accurate. Over went the tricycle again, and three weeks more in bed were the result."

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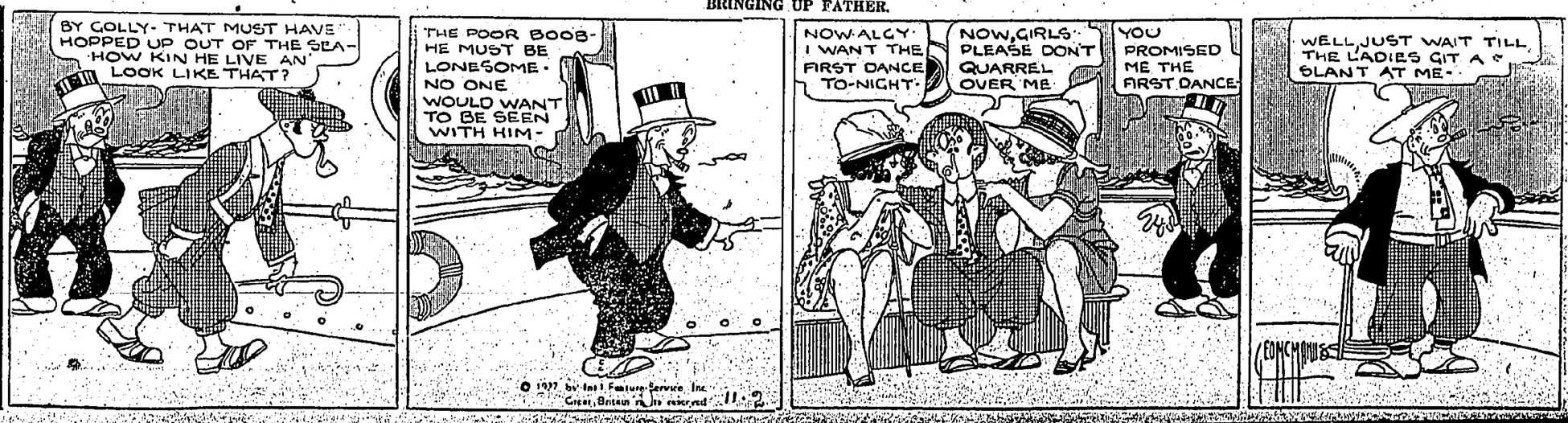

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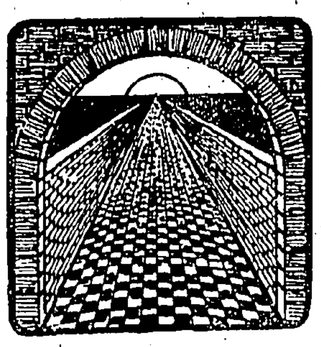

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AGRICULTURAL SHOW.

(*Continued from Page 7.*)

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Non-Competitive Exhibits.

Following is the schedule of entries for the poultry and live stock section (not for competition):—

Exhibitor: Poultry Specialists' Company, 4 Duddell Street (Manager, Mr. A. E. B. de Sousa).

Exhibits: Single Comb White Leghorn Cockerel and Pullet, (American Strain); Single Comb White Leghorn Cockerel and Pullet, (Australian Strain); Single Comb Rhode Island Red Cockerel and Pullet; Black Australorp Cockerel and Pullet.

Exhibitor: Mr. L. E. de Carvalho, c/o Messrs. Botelho Bros.

Exhibits: Pen of Rhode Island Red Single Comb (1 Cock and 2 Hens); Basket of a dozen Leghorn eggs, (2 ounces or over each egg).

Exhibitor: Mr. H. A. Rodgers, "White Cottage," Taipo.

Exhibit: Scandinavian Landrace Sow (directly imported).—A very fine specimen. Age: 8-9 months, weighs 300 catties, or 400 lbs.

Exhibitor Mr. Leo. d'Almada e Castro, Fanling, New Territories.

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Special Prizes.

Several special prizes for the competitive section have been presented. That offered by H. E. the Governor, which is the most coveted, takes the form of an honorific tablet in gold letters on a red ground, the Chinese characters of which were of Sir Cecil Clementi's own composition. This prize has been awarded for the most successful group of villages in any one district sending the highest number of exhibits. The board will have inscribed on it the name of the successful district and is to be held in the district council or hall for one year. It is won outright by any one village securing the award for three years in succession.

An honorific scroll is the prize offered by the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes for the individual exhibitor securing the highest aggregate of first and second prizes.

The thirteen first prizes of $3 each in the Rice section were the gift of Messrs. J. M. da Rocha & Co., who also made the free gift of one hundred parcels of 10 catties each of first quality rice seed for free distribution to the farmers.

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In all classes the first and second prizes are of a value of $3 and $2, which have been disbursed out of the Show funds.

A bonus of $100 was presented for distribution among those exhibitors who put in groups of not less than eight exhibits each.

Certificates of Honour.

The cost of lithographing the certificates of honour was defrayed by Messrs. J. M. de Rocha & Co. Every exhibitor received a copy. It is worded in English and Chinese as follows:—

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The certificate is signed by the Rev. H. R. Wells, O.B.E., as Chairman of the Committee, and by Mr. J. P. Braga and Mr. Ng Sing Chi, hon. English and Chinese Secretaries, respectively.

The Judges.

The list of Judges is as follows: Foreign Vegetables (classes 55 to 63): Mr. Jas. Bullock, Mr. J. L. MacPherson and Mr. Fung Kei cheuk.

Roots, etc., (classes 64 to 71): Green Vegetables (Chinese), (classes 30 to 54, and 72 and 73): Mr. Ho Kom-tong, O.B.E., Mr. Chon Po-sien, Mr. Tang Wai-tong, Mr. Tang Yau-shan and Mr. Lau Wang.

Rice. Early Crop (classes 1-3), Late Crop (classes 4-13): Mr. Li Cham Hing, Mr. Tang Wai Tong, Mr. Tang Yau Shan and Mr. Lau Wang.

Fruits and Melons (classes 76 to 98); Mr. Tsoi Po-tin.

Other Cereals and Legumes (classes 14 to 28): Mr. Lau Wang, Mr. Tang Wai-tong and Mr. Tang Yau-shan.

Sugar Cane (class 29): Mr. Leung Wai-tai.

Officials in charge of Poultry and Live-Stock Section: Mr. Jas. Bullock and Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa.

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Railway Arrangements.

The Committee feel indebted to the Railway authorities for the arrangements in connection with the conveyance of visitors to and from the Show. The special cheap excursion rate was much appreciated. Every facility was afforded by the management for the quick transportation of articles for the Show.

To the "Star" Ferry Co. the Committee is under obligation for the concession accorded of free fare to the Bandsmen of the K.O.S.B., who were present at the Show and under the capable direction of Mr. W. H. Fitz-Earle, A.R.C.M., delighted the visitors with excellently rendered music throughout the afternoon. The following selection of music was played, by kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel L. J. Comyn, C.M.G., D.S.O., and Officers:—*March of the Peers from* Iolanthe, (Sullivan); Overture, "Tancredi," (Rossini); Selection, "The Desert Song," (Romberg); Intermezzo, "Baby's Sweetheart," (Corri); Chinese Suite, "Feast of Lanterns," (Glover); Caprice, "Echo des Bastions," (Kling); Selection, "Yeomen of the Guard," (Sullivan); Fox Trot, "The Toy-Town Parade," (Nicholls) and "Blue Bonnets O'er the Border."

Police Reserve.

Through the good offices of Mr. Chow U-ting, Commanding Officer, the Committee had the benefit of the services of some fifteen members of the Chinese Company, Police Reserve. These "specials" kindly volunteered their services and very efficiently maintained control on the grounds.

Refreshments and teas were served by the Cafe Pavilion.

HOME FROM CHINA.

UNFAIR CRITICISM OF HONG KONG.

SIR H. POLLOCK REPLIES.

London, Nov. 3.

The first detachment of Army Reservists from China arrived in London on Oct. 20 when 400 men disembarked from the transport "Herminius" in the Thames. These Reservists belong to Section A, Army Reserve. There are 1,650 of these Reservists to come home, and it is expected that the last detail will be back by Nov. 30. The conduct of the men in China has been exemplary. In response to the appeal of the Secretary of State for War, employers have stated that the men's posts have been kept open for them. Those men who have no employment to go to are advised to register their names with the local representatives of the National Association for Employment of Regular Sailors, Soldiers, and Airmen, and any employer who is desirous of offering employment to any individual should communicate with the local representative of the National Association, or with the head offices of the Association at 119, Victoria Street, Westminster, London, S.W.1.

An officer who returned from China in mail week spoke highly of the qualities of the Chinese as soldiers, if properly led and trained, but at present they were a "miserable rabble living mainly on loot." China, he said, was one of the most wonderful places for military service, but the climate was decidedly unhealthy. Asked for his opinion about the British residents, the officer said: "In Hong Kong we were looked upon as necessary nuisances. Lady Luard, the wife of General Luard, raised a subscription to entertain the troops, and the Chinese actually subscribed three times as much as the British. Possibly they thought themselves quite safe, outside the danger-zone, and that our presence overcrowded them. In Shanghai, however, it was quite different. The British, French and American residents there did everything they could to make the 'Tommies' comfortable, and the British Women's Association ran the canteen."

In connection with the criticism of Hong Kong, Sir Henry E. Pollock, K.C., in a letter to the "Morning Post," says: "In justice to the residents of that Colony, of which I am the senior unofficial member, I enclose a cutting from the Hong Kong "Weekly Press," of Sept. 16, 1927, which I should be glad if you would print in order to show your readers that Section 'A' Reservists of the Cameronians have expressed the warmest appreciation of what was done for them during their stay in Hong Kong. The following is an extract from the 'Good Bye' message, signed by Section 'A' Reservists, the Cameronians: 'Not one evening has passed without a concert or sing-song arranged by one party or another where a man could spend a really jolly hour. We cannot show enough appreciation or thank you sufficiently for all that has been done; it is a thing that can never be forgotten, and will be spoken of in thousands of homes in Great Britain. Words cannot express our feelings towards you'."

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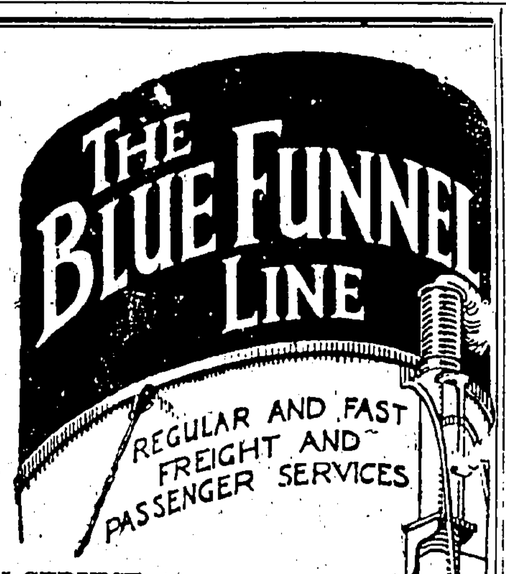

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Suez & Straits		Cyclops.
Shanghai		Yinchow.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai		Emp. of Russia.
Europe via Suez (letters & papers, London 10th Nov. & Parcels 3rd Nov.)		Morea.
Shanghai		Sinkiang.
FRIDAY,	DECEMBER	9
Shanghai		Mantua.
Australia & Manila		Changte.
SATURDAY,	DECEMBER	10
Shanghai & Swatow		Chekiang.
SUNDAY,	DECEMBER	11
Straits		Haruna Maru.
Straits		Fooksang.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai		Pres. Jackson.
MONDAY	DECEMBER	12
Straits		Garmala.
Manila		Pres. Pierce.
TUESDAY,	DECEMBER	13
Shanghai		Diomed.
THURSDAY,	DECEMBER	15
Australia & Manila		Aki Maru.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For		Per	
THURSDAY,	DECEMBER	8	
Manila		Emp. of Russia	3.30 p.m.
Tourane		Chung Kong	3.30 p.m.
Saigon		Halvard	3.30 p.m.
Samshui & Wuchow		Kong Ning	4.30 p.m.
FRIDAY	DECEMBER	9	
Shanghai, Japan & Europe via Siberia		Morea	8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow		Hai Ning	1 p.m.
Shanghai		Sulyang	5 p.m.
Amoy		Tjikembang	5 p.m.
Haiphong via Fort Bayard & Hoihow		Song Bo	5 p.m.
Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi & *Haiphong		Hanoi	5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Maritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 1st Jan., 1928. K.P.O.:—Parcels 4.30 p.m. Registration (10th Dec.) 9 a.m. Letters 10 a.m. G.P.O.:—Parcels 5 p.m. Registration (10th Dec.) 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.		Mantua	
SATURDAY,	DECEMBER	10	
Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong		Chenan	11.30 a.m.
Formosa, Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, *U.S.A., *Canada, *C. & *S. America, & *Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 6th Jan., 1928 & Europe via Siberia. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.		Siberia Maru.	
Amoy		Antung	5 p.m.
SUNDAY,	DECEMBER	11	
Bangkok via Swatow		Kwangtung	8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa		Kaijo Maru	9 a.m.
MONDAY,	DECEMBER	12	
Shanghai & Japan		Haruna Maru	10.30 a.m
Manila		Pres. Jackson	4.30 p.m.
Amoy		Fooksang	5 p.m.
TUESDAY,	DECEMBER	13	
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow		Hai Ching	Noon

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The newly formed International Sharpshooters' Company of the Hong Kong Police Reserves has made such excellent progress since its inception last month that the number of eligible men already enrolled has made it necessary to appoint an officer to take command of the Company.

The post of Company Commander has been given to Mr. E. R. Dovey who will have the rank of Sub-Inspector.

It is intended to limit the Company to fifty, and in view of the good response the scheme has met with, it will not be long before the Company is brought to full strength.

There are still a few more vacancies to be filled, and those who wish to be enrolled before the quota is reached, would be well advised to make application, without delay, to Mr. Dovey, either personally or by communicating with him care of the Police Reserve Office at the Central Police Station, when full particulars will be supplied.

The Sharpshooters' Company will be a uniformed unit of the Hong Kong Police Reserves, with the advantage that its members will not be required to do any drills or attend any parades. Being an international unit, those who join the Company will also not be required to "take the oath."

Every facility will, however, be afforded to those members of the Company who wish to do practice shooting on the range either with rifle or revolver, or both, and everything in connection with such "shoots" will be supplied without cost to the members of the Company.

It is particularly emphasised by Lieut.-Comdr. Hartford, D.S.P. (Reserves) that the Sharpshooters' Company is not confined to ex-Officers, but is open to all ranks of ex-Service men of the Navy and Army, and ex-members of the various Volunteer Corps, provided they have the one necessary qualification of being good shots with either rifle or revolver.

A CONVENTION.

PROVISION FOR MATERNITY PROTECTION.

GREAT BRITAIN'S LEAD.

Rugby, Yesterday.

In the House of Commons the Minister of Labour (Sir A. D. Steel Maitland) was asked whether, now that the Government of the German Reich had ratified the International Labour Convention on maternity protection he would expedite its ratification by the British Government?

The Minister replied that the general reasons which led the British Government representatives at Washington in 1919 to abstain from voting for the adoption of the Convention, which the British Government had refused to ratify, were that in the British view the benefits provided under the health insurance scheme and other social services already in operation in this country were in accordance with the policy of the Convention and were, no doubt, in some respects in advance of those embodied in the Convention.—British Wireless Service.

SHANGHAI STRIKE.

ONLY A SKELETON TRAMWAY SERVICE.

KOREAN DRIVERS.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Owing to the intimidation of motor-men and conductors by the fitters on strike there is still only a skeleton tram service.

The trams are mostly being driven by Korean inspectors who, in spite of one of their number having been shot at and severely wounded by agitators this morning, are loyally carrying on.—Reuter.

Inspector Shot At.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

The strike of employees of the Municipal tramways continues, but negotiations are impending.

An inspector (of trams) was fired at by intimidators and he was grievously wounded.—British Naval Wireless.

ADEQUATE DEFENCE.

Peaceful Intentions of U. S.

COMMENT ON MESSAGE.

No Difference To Britain's Naval Policy.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The part of President Coolidge's annual Message to Congress delivered yesterday which attracts most attention in Britain is naturally the reference to the Geneva Naval Conference.

The "Times" says: "President Coolidge's announcement that any future treaty of limitation will call on us for more ships, may seem to rule out any future conference in advance but it need not arouse anxiety or make the slightest difference to the naval policy of Great Britain. That policy is based on long experience of national defence. Its principles in no way contrast with those which President Coolidge has laid down. It is for the Government and the people of the United States to estimate their maritime requirements. We can only consider our own. What has always been made perfectly clear is that we shall not dream of building in competition with the United States. Our needs cannot be determined by theirs."

The "Daily Chronicle" says: "The question as to what constitutes adequate defence for America is not one with which we can usefully concern ourselves. If we had reason to doubt her peaceful intentions we could not be indifferent to it. But we have no shadow of reason for doubting them and can therefore accept for ourselves the principle laid down for America—that there shall be no competition, that we will build what we need for defence and no more.—British Wireless Service.

Other Comments.

London, Yesterday.

While the American Press scarcely refers to that part of President Coolidge's Message dealing with the Navy but concentrates on the domestic references and the British Press generally agrees that Britain will not dream of building warships in competition with America, the French Press laments the "inadequacy" of the French naval and air forces and is urging that America's example should prove a necessity for each nation taking its own measures for national defence.—Reuter.

QUESTION IN COMMONS.

No Official Assurance to America.

Rugby, Yesterday.

A question was asked in the House of Commons to-day as to whether in the course of the conversations with leading officials of United States prior to and during the Naval Disarmament Conference at Geneva any statements were made by any British official representative which were calculated to convey an assurance as to no difficulty being raised by Great Britain over the naval disarmament negotiations.

Mr. Locker-Lampson, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, replied that he was not aware of any conversations having taken place between British and American official representatives prior to the conference on the actual merits of the questions at issue. As to those which took place during the conference they were obviously of an informal and private character and equally there was no record of them.

Our Delegate's Discretion.

Answering Commander Kenworthy (Labourite), Mr. Locker-Lampson said that the Government would lose no opportunity of furthering progress in the limitation of naval armaments. The British representative on the Preparatory Commission at Geneva had discretion to bring forward the British Proposals whenever he thought the occasion propitious.

Commander Kenworthy asked whether any scheme was in existence to be put forward at the appropriate time?

Mr. Locker Lampson replied that the next meeting would take place early in February, and it would then be time for our representatives to bring forward proposals.—British Wireless Service.

ALMIGHTY DOLLAR.

Budget Presented To Congress.

MORE MONEY FOR NAVY.

10,000 Miles of Lighted Air Routes.

Washington, Yesterday.

President Coolidge has presented the Budget to Congress. It amounts to $4,258,793,765. The total appropriations approved of by President Coolidge exceed last year's by $224,2222,641 and the current year's by $118,649,219.

The largest item is for national defence, $645,000,000, an increase of $20,000,000 compared with the last Budget mainly due to Naval building, Army housing, and the continuation of the five years aviation programme.

If Congress approves of the Budget the total expenditure available for the Navy in 1928 will be $347,000,000, making an increase of $48,000,000.

The total establishment of the Army has been placed at 118,750 enlisted men, which is slightly larger than at present, plus 12,000 officers.

Air Services.

The appropriations for the military and naval air services give the Navy 696 out of 1,000 aeroplanes provided in the five years' programme, and the Army 1,800 aeroplanes.

Funds will be available in 1928 for 10,000 miles of lighted air routes contemplated by the Department of Commerce.

Prohibition enforcement will cost nearly $600,000 less, thanks to economies in administration.

New Warships.

Two submarines and eight cruisers will be under contruction in 1928. Two of these cruisers will be practically completed in 1929.

Money is also recommended for the modernisation of the battleships "Oklahoma" and "Nevada" and the airship already authorised by Congress.

Report on Finances.

In his annual report on finances Mr. Mellon emphasises the "unusual combination of circumstances," namely, the large volume of business done simultaneously with declining commodity prices, high wages, and lower costs, resulting in sustained purchasing power. The Banks have increased their loans and investments about two milliard dollars and simultaneously reduced their dependence on the Federal Reserve system.

Revised Estimates show that the war cost the United States 35 milliard dollars. The country's gold stock on October 31, 1927, was $4,548,000,000 compared with $4,554,000,000 on October 31, 1924, mainly owing to the policy aimed at for the restoration of the gold standard—a world-wide policy which found expression in the granting of credits to a number of European issue banks and in the discount and open market plan which as far possible had avoided a rate position which would attract gold to America and strain the European money market.—Reuter's American Service.

SPY MANIA.

TWO MEN COMMITTED AT OLD BAILEY.

DEFENCE RESERVED.

London, Yesterday.

McCartney and Hansen have been committed for trial at the Old Bailey. Both pleaded not guilty and reserved their defence.—Reuter.

[A message dated London, December 4 stated: At the resumption at Bow Street of the hearing of the charges of espionage against George Hansen and Wilfred McCartney, counsel for the prosecution declared that McCartney, alias Hudson, was a member of the British Communist party and Hansen, alias Johnson, was a German subject. The foreign Power concerned in the case was the Government of Soviet Russia.]

CHINESE BABY.

TO BE CHRISTENED IN ST. PAUL'S.

London, Yesterday.

Paul K. Ma, whose parents were married in St. Paul's Church, Hong Kong, is to be christened in St. Paul's Cathedral on Sunday. He is the first Chinese baby thus honoured.—Reuter.

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MONDAY	DECEMBER	12
Straits		Garmala.
Manila		Pres. Pierce.
TUESDAY,	DECEMBER	13
Shanghai		Diomed.
THURSDAY,	DECEMBER	15
Australia & Manila		Aki Maru.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per		
THURSDAY,	DECEMBER	8	
Manila	Emp. of Russia		3.30 p.m.
Tourane	Chung Kong		3.30 p.m.
Saigon	Halvard		3.30 p.m.
Samshui & Wuchow	Kong Ning		4.30 p.m.
FRIDAY	DECEMBER	9	
Shanghai, Japan & Europe via Siberia	Morea		8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Hai Ning		1 p.m.
Shanghai	Suiyang		5 p.m.
Amoy	Tjikembang		5 p.m.
Haiphong via Fort Bayard & Hoihow	Song Bo		5 p.m.
Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi & *Haiphong	Hanoi		5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Maritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 1st Jan., 1928. K.P.O.:—Parcels 4.30 p.m. Registration (10th Dec.) 9 a.m. Letters 10 a.m. G.P.O.:—Parcels 5 p.m. Registration (10th Dec.) 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Mantua		
SATURDAY,	DECEMBER	10	
Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Chenan		11.30 a.m.
Formosa, Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, *U.S.A., *Canada, *C. & *S. America, & *Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 6th Jan., 1928 & Europe via Siberia. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	Siberia Maru.		
Amoy	Antung		5 p.m.
SUNDAY,	DECEMBER	11	
Bangkok via Swatow	Kwangtung		8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Kaijo Maru		9 a.m.
MONDAY,	DECEMBER	12	
Shanghai & Japan	Haruna Maru		10.30 a.m
Manila	Pres. Jackson		4.30 p.m.
Amoy	Fooksang		5 p.m.
TUESDAY,	DECEMBER	13	
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Hai Ching		Noon

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

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The newly formed International Sharpshooters' Company of the Hong Kong Police Reserves has made such excellent progress since its inception last month that the number of eligible men already enrolled has made it necessary to appoint an officer to take command of the Company.

The post of Company Commander has been given to Mr. E. R. Dovey who will have the rank of Sub-Inspector.

It is intended to limit the Company to fifty, and in view of the good response the scheme has met with, it will not be long before the Company is brought to full strength.

There are still a few more vacancies to be filled, and those who wish to be enrolled before the quota is reached, would be well advised to make application, without delay, to Mr. Dovey, either personally or by communicating with him care of the Police Reserve Office at the Central Police Station, when full particulars will be supplied.

The Sharpshooters' Company will be a uniformed unit of the Hong Kong Police Reserves, with the advantage that its members will not be required to do any drills or attend any parades. Being an international unit, those who join the Company will also not be required to "take the oath."

Every facility will, however, be afforded to those members of the Company who wish to do practice shooting on the range either with rifle or revolver, or both, and everything in connection with such "shoots" will be supplied without cost to the members of the Company.

It is particularly emphasised by Lieut.-Comdr.—Hartford,—D.S.P. (Reserves) that the Sharpshooters' Company is not confined to ex-Officers, but is open to all ranks of ex-Service men of the Navy and Army, and ex-members of the various Volunteer Corps, provided they have the one necessary qualification of being good shots with either rifle or revolver.

A CONVENTION.

PROVISION FOR MATERNITY PROTECTION.

GREAT BRITAIN'S LEAD.

Rugby, Yesterday.

In the House of Commons the Minister of Labour (Sir A. D. Steel Maitland) was asked whether, now that the Government of the German Reich had ratified the International Labour Convention on maternity protection he would expedite its ratification by the British Government?

The Miniser replied that the general reasons which led the British Government representatives at Washington in 1919 to abstain from voting for the adoption of the Convention, which the British Government had refused to ratify, were that in the British view the benefits provided under the health insurance scheme and other social services already in operation in this country were in accordance with the policy of the Convention and were, no doubt, in some respects in advance of those embodied in the Convention.—British Wireless Service.

SHANGHAI STRIKE.

ONLY A SKELETON TRAMWAY SERVICE.

KOREAN DRIVERS.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Owing to the intimidation of motor-men and conductors by the fitters on strike there is still only a skeleton tram service.

The trams are mostly being driven by Korean inspectors who, in spite of one of their number having been shot at and severely wounded by agitators this morning, are loyally carrying on.—Reuter.

Inspector Shot At.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

The strike of employees of the Municipal tramways continues, but negotiations are impending.

An inspector (of trams) was fired at by intimidators and he was grievously wounded.—British Naval Wireless.

ADEQUATE DEFENCE.

Peaceful Intentions of U. S.

COMMENT ON MESSAGE.

No Difference To Britain's Naval Policy.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The part of President Coolidge's annual Message to Congress delivered yesterday which attracts most attention in Britain is naturally the reference to the Geneva Naval Conference.

The "Times" says: "President Coolidge's announcement that any future treaty of limitation will call on us for more ships, may seem to rule out any future conference in advance but it need not arouse anxiety or make the slightest difference to the naval policy of Great Britain. That policy is based on long experience of national defence. Its principles in no way contrast with those which President Coolidge has laid down. It is for the Government and the people of the United States to estimate their maritime requirements. We can only consider our own. What has always been made perfectly clear is that we shall not dream of building in competition with the United States. Our needs cannot be determined by theirs."

The "Daily Chronicle" says: "The question as to what constitutes adequate defence for America is not one with which we can usefully concern ourselves. If we had reason to doubt her peaceful intentions we could not be indifferent to it. But we have no shadow of reason for doubting them and can therefore accept for ourselves the principle laid down for America—that there shall be no competition, that we will build what we need for defence and no more.—British Wireless Service.

Other Comments.

London, Yesterday.

While the American Press scarcely refers to that part of President Coolidge's Message dealing with the Navy but concentrates on the domestic references and the British Press generally agrees that Britain will not dream of building warships in competition with America, the French Press laments the "inadequacy" of the French naval and air forces and is urging that America's example should prove a necessity for each nation taking its own measures for national defence.—Reuter.

QUESTION IN COMMONS.

No Official Assurance to America.

Rugby, Yesterday.

A question was asked in the House of Commons to-day as to whether in the course of the conversations with leading officials of United States prior to and during the Naval Disarmament Conference at Geneva any statements were made by any British official representative which were calculated to convey an assurance as to no difficulty being raised by Great Britain over the naval disarmament negotiations.

Mr. Locker-Lampson, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, replied that he was not aware of any conversations having taken place between British and American official representatives prior to the conference on the actual merits of the questions at issue. As to those which took place during the conference they were obviously of an informal and private character and equally there was no record of them.

Our Delegate's Discretion.

Answering Commander Kenworthy (Labourite), Mr. Locker-Lampson said that the Government would lose no opportunity of furthering progress in the limitation of naval armaments. The British representative on the Preparatory Commission at Geneva had discretion to bring forward the British Proposals whenever he thought the occasion propitious.

Commander Kenworthy asked whether any scheme was in existence to be put forward at the appropriate time?

Mr. Locker Lampson replied that the next meeting would take place early in February, and it would then be time for our representative to bring forward proposals.—British Wireless Service.

ALMIGHTY DOLLAR.

Budget Presented To Congress.

MORE MONEY FOR NAVY.

10,000 Miles of Lighted Air Routes.

Washington, Yesterday.

President Coolidge has presented the Budget to Congress. It amounts to $4,268,793,765. The total appropriations approved of by President Coolidge exceed last year's by $224,2222,641 and the current year's by $118,649,219.

The largest item is for national defence, $645,000,000, an increase of $20,000,000 compared with the last Budget mainly due to Naval building, Army housing, and the continuation of the five years aviation programme.

If Congress approves of the Budget the total expenditure available for the Navy in 1928 will be $347,000,000, making an increase of $48,000,000.

The total establishment of the Army has been placed at 118,750 enlisted men, which is slightly larger than at present, plus 12,000 officers.

Air Services.

The appropriations for the military and naval air services give the Navy 696 out of 1,000 aeroplanes provided in the five years' programme, and the Army 1,800 aeroplanes.

Funds will be available in 1928 for 10,000 miles of lighted air routes contemplated by the Department of Commerce.

Prohibition enforcement will cost nearly $600,000 less, thanks to economies in administration.

New Warships.

Two submarines and eight cruisers will be under contruction in 1928. Two of these cruisers will be practically completed in 1929.

Money is also recommended for the modernisation of the battleships "Oklahoma" and "Nevada" and the airship already authorised by Congress.

Report on Finances.

In his annual report on finances Mr. Mellon emphasises the "unusual combination of circumstances," namely, the large volume of business done simultaneously with declining commodity prices, high wages, and lower costs, resulting in sustained purchasing power. The Banks have increased their loans and investments about two milliard dollars and simultaneously reduced their dependence on the Federal Reserve system.

Revised Estimates show that the war cost the United States 35 milliard dollars. The country's gold stock on October 31, 1927, was $4,548,000,000 compared with $4,554,000,000 on October 31, 1924, mainly owing to the policy aimed at for the restoration of the gold standard—a world-wide policy which found expression in the granting of credits to a number of European issue banks and in the discount and open market plan which as far possible had avoided a rate position which would attract gold to America and strain the European money market.—Reuter's American Service.

SPY MANIA.

TWO MEN COMMITTED AT OLD BAILEY.

DEFENCE RESERVED.

London, Yesterday.

McCartney and Hansen have been committed for trial at the Old Bailey. Both pleaded not guilty and reserved their defence.—Reuter.

[A message dated London, December 4 stated: At the resumption at Bow Street of the hearing of the charges of espionage against George Hansen and Wilfred McCartney, counsel for the prosecution declared that McCartney, alias Hudson, was a member of the British Communist party and Hansen, alias Johnson, was a German subject. The foreign Power concerned in the case was the Government of Soviet Russia.]

CHINESE BABY.

TO BE CHRISTENED IN ST. PAUL'S.

London, Yesterday.

Paul K. Ma, whose parents were married in St. Paul's Church, Hong Kong, is to be christened in St. Paul's Cathedral on Sunday. He is the first Chinese baby thus honoured.—Reuter.

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AGRICULTURAL SHOW.

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of which there are some half dozen in operation in the Colony, has a capacity of 1,000 Watts (about 50 lights), and provides current at 32 Volts. Its operation is entirely automatic, that is, it requires no attention in everyday operation beyond the periodical addition of fuel, oil, and water.

There was also on view the "Duro" Automatic Electric Water Pumping System used to supply water for Mysterious Faucet display, and for Wash Basin—this latter being open to the use of the public. Water supplied to all taps under a minimum pressure of 25 lbs. This system obtained its power from the Matthews plant, and served to demonstrate how water could thus be provided under pressure wherever desired. Its automatic operation was also clearly shown whenever anyone washed his hands.

The "Duro" Engine Driven Water Pumping System is used to supply water for the garden sprinkler, and to demonstrate the working pressures attainable with these systems. This system is driven from a specially designed and compact gasoline engine made by the makers of the pumps. Its compactness and simplicity were very noticeable.

"Duro" Deep Well Pump.—This type of pump is capable of drawing water from any depth up to 200 feet, and against heads of 150 feet. It could not be shown in operation, but was merely on exhibition.

Light and Power Plants.

Hydro-Electric and Wind Driven Electric Light and Power Plants.—This company also had on exhibition pictures of two recent types of Private Electric Plants, showing their manner of installation. The water driven type is adaptable to provide current for any required purpose wherever a small stream of running water is available, and is the latest development in this field of engineering. Its most salient feature is the low cost of operation and maintenance, as after the initial expense (No more than the usual liquid fuel plant) no further disbursements are required other than for a little lubricating oil every month or so. It is designed for 24 hours service, and requires no accumulators. The Wind Driven plants are adaptable to provide current wherever fairly reliable winds can be obtained. It has storage batteries to tide over a period of calm lasting a week. Winds as low as 8 miles per hour will generate current, and when they reach 30 miles per hour the plant automatically cuts itself out. They are designed to stand a wind force of about 120 miles per hour.

"Water by Wire."—This was a coloured moving picture shown by this Company to illustrate the various ways in which our forefathers obtained the most vital of liquids required by the human race.

Non-Competitive Exhibits.

Following is the schedule of entries for the poultry and live stock section (not for competition):—

Exhibitor: Poultry Specialists' Company, 4 Duddell Street (Manager, Mr. A. E. B. de Sousa).

Exhibits: Single Comb White Leghorn Cockerel and Pullet, (American Strain); Single Comb White Leghorn Cockerel and Pullet, (Australian Strain); Single Comb Rhode Island Red Cockerel and Pullet; Black Australorp Cockerel and Pullet.

Exhibitor: Mr. L. E. de Carvalho, c/o Messrs. Botelho Bros.

Exhibits: Pen of Rhode Island Red Single Comb (1 Cock and 2 Hens); Basket of a dozen Leghorn eggs, (2 ounces or over each egg).

Exhibitor: Mr. H. A. Rodgers, "White Cottage," Taipo.

Exhibit: Scandinavian Landrace Sow (directly imported).—A very fine specimen. Age: 8-9 months, weighs 300 catties, or 400 lbs.

Exhibitor: Mr. Leo. d'Almada e Castro, Fanling, New Territories.

Exhibit: Yorkshire Sow obtained from the Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage Co.'s stock and reared at Fanling, with a litter of eight young ones. Quite recently Mr. d'Almada disposed of a Sow which weighed 375 lbs. when only 10 months old, thus testifying to the excellent quality of "food" grown at Fanling suitable for rearing pigs successfully.

Special Prizes.

Several special prizes for the competitive section have been presented. That offered by H. E. the Governor, which is the most coveted, takes the form of an honorific tablet in gold letters on a red ground, the Chinese characters of which were of Sir Cecil Clementi's own composition. This prize has been awarded for the most successful group of villages in any one district sending the highest number of exhibits. The board will have inscribed on it the name of the successful district and is to be held in the district council or hall for one year. It is won outright by any one village securing the award for three years in succession.

An honorific scroll is the prize offered by the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes for the individual exhibitor securing the highest aggregate of first and second prizes.

The thirteen first prizes of $3 each in the Rice section were the gift of Messrs. J. M. da Rocha & Co., who also made the free gift of one hundred parcels of 10 catties each of first quality rice seed for free distribution to the farmers.

The cheque for $100 received from Mr. S. de Ossa, acting Consul for Chile in Hong Kong, on behalf of the Propaganda for Chilean Nitrate of Soda, has been distributed among the winners of 20 first ($3 each) and 20 second prizes ($2 each), respectively, in the Chinese Green Vegetables section.

In all classes the first and second prizes are of a value of $3 and $2, which have been disbursed out of the Show funds.

A bonus of $100 was presented for distribution among those exhibitors who put in groups of not less than eight exhibits each.

Certificates of Honour.

The cost of lithographing the certificates of honour was defrayed by Messrs. J. M. de Rocha & Co. Every exhibitor received a copy. It is worded in English and Chinese as follows:—

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Hong Kong, 7th December, 1927."

The certificate is signed by the Rev. H. R. Wells, O.B.E., as Chairman of the Committee, and by Mr. J. P. Braga and Mr. Ng Sing Chi, hon. English and Chinese Secretaries, respectively.

The Judges.

The list of Judges is as follows: Foreign Vegetables (classes 55 to 63): Mr. Jas. Bullock, Mr. J. L. MacPherson and Mr. Fung Kei cheuk.

Roots, etc. (classes 64 to 71): Green Vegetables (Chinese), (classes 30 to 54, and 72 and 73): Mr. Ho Kom-tong, O.B.E., Mr. Chon Posien, Mr. Tang Wai-tong, Mr. Tang Yau-shan and Mr. Lau Wang.

Rice. Early Crop (classes 1-3), Late Crop (classes 4-13): Mr. Li Cham Hing, Mr. Tang Wai Tong, Mr. Tang Yau Shan and Mr. Lau Wang.

Fruits and Melons (classes 76 to 98); Mr. Tsoi Po-tin.

Other Cereals and Legumes (classes 14 to 28): Mr. Lau Wang, Mr. Tang Wai-tong and Mr. Tang Yau-shan.

Sugar Cane (class 29): Mr. Leung Wai-tai.

Officials in charge of Poultry and Live-Stock Section: Mr. Jas. Bullock and Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa.

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Railway Arrangements.

The Committee feel indebted to the Railway authorities for the arrangements in connection with the conveyance of visitors to and from the Show. The special cheap excursion rate was much appreciated. Every facility was afforded by the management for the quick transportation of articles for the Show.

To the "Star" Ferry Co. the Committee is under obligation for the concession accorded of free fare to the Bandsmen of the K.O.S.B., who were present at the Show and under the capable direction of Mr. W. H. Fitz-Earle, A.R.C.M., delighted the visitors with excellently rendered music throughout the afternoon. The following selection of music was played, by kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel L. J. Comyn, C.M.G., D.S.O., and Officers:—March of the Peers from Iolanthe, (Sullivan); Overture, "Tancredi," (Rossini); Selection, "The Desert Song," (Romberg); Intermezzo, "Baby's Sweetheart," (Corri); Chinese Suite, "Feast of Lanterns," (Glover); Caprice, "Echo des Bastions," (Kling); Selection, "Yeomen of the Guard," (Sullivan); Fox Trot, "The Toy-Town Parade," (Nichols) and "Blue Bonnets O'er the Border."

Police Reserve.

Through the good offices of Mr. Chow U-ting, Commanding Officer, the Committee had the benefit of the services of some fifteen members of the Chinese Company, Police Reserve. These "specials" kindly volunteered their services and very efficiently maintained control on the grounds.

Refreshments and teas were served by the Cafe Pavilion.

HOME FROM CHINA.

UNFAIR CRITICISM OF HONG KONG.

SIR H. POLLOCK REPLIES.

London, Nov. 3.

The first detachment of Army Reservists from China arrived in London on Oct. 20 when 400 men disembarked from the transport "Herminius" in the Thames. These Reservists belong to Section A, Army Reserve. There are 1,650 of these Reservists to come home, and it is expected that the last detail will be back by Nov. 30. The conduct of the men in China has been exemplary. In response to the appeal of the Secretary of State for War, employers have stated that the men's posts have been kept open for them. Those men who have no employment to go to are advised to register their names with the local representatives of the National Association for Employment of Regular Sailors, Soldiers, and Airmen, and any employer who is desirous of offering employment to any individual should communicate with the local representative of the National Association, or with the head offices of the Association at 119, Victoria Street, Westminster, London, S.W.1.

An officer who returned from China in mail week spoke highly of the qualities of the Chinese as soldiers, if properly led and trained, but at present they were a "miserable rabble living mainly on loot." China, he said, was one of the most wonderful places for military service, but the climate was decidedly unhealthy. Asked for his opinion about the British residents, the officer said: "In Hong Kong we were looked upon as necessary nuisances. Lady Luard, the wife of General Luard, raised a subscription to entertain the troops, and the Chinese actually subscribed three times as much as the British. Possibly they thought themselves quite safe, outside the danger-zone, and that our presence overcrowded them. In Shanghai, however, it was quite different. The British, French and American residents there did everything they could to make the 'Tommies' comfortable, and the British Women's Association ran the canteen."

In connection with the criticism of Hong Kong, Sir Henry E. Pollock, K.C., in a letter to the "Morning Post," says: "In justice to the residents of that Colony, of which I am the senior unofficial member, I enclose a cutting from the Hong Kong "Weekly Press," of Sept. 16, 1927, which I should be glad if you would print in order to show your readers that Section 'A' Reservists of the Cameronians have expressed the warmest appreciation of what was done for them during their stay in Hong Kong. The following is an extract from the 'Good Bye' message, signed by Section 'A' Reservists, the Cameronians: 'Not one evening has passed without a concert or sing-song arranged by one party or another where a man could spend a really jolly hour. We cannot show enough appreciation or thank you sufficiently for all that has been done; it is a thing that can never be forgotten, and will be spoken of in thousands of homes in Great Britain. Words cannot express our feelings towards you'."

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